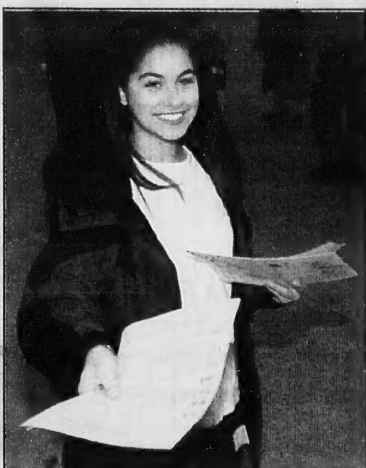




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Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Carey Levine passes out fliers about the proposed youth center at Recreation Park before Monday's Town Meeting.

Youth center loses Town Meeting goes 3 nights

By Neil Fater

Residents at Town Meeting Monday and Tuesday expanded Andover's budget to nearly \$66 million, but didn't give land to a group willing to pay for a youth complex at Recreation Park. Voters also turned down giving land to a group willing to pay to expand the Senior Center.

Both land transfers received a simple majority of Town Meeting votes, but couldn't garner the necessary two-thirds vote for approval.

Although the land grant for

the seniors was defeated, members of the Council on Aging were notably pleased with the 192-189 vote allowing selectmen to change the lease of the building shared by the school department and the Senior Center.

According to Bill Ryan, Council on

Aging member, changing the lease opens the door for the Senior Center to expand upward into the top two floors of that building where the school administration is now located. If truly useable, this option would

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Kate Brown helps pass out fliers in front of the Collins Center at Andover High School Monday. The first article pertaining to the proposed youth center, Article 21, failed, so the other articles relating to it were withdrawn.

Why is Sam Campbell leaving?

By Neil Fater

Parents and teachers remain baffled by Sam Campbell's resignation, but dozens are doing what they can to show the West Middle School principal that if it were up to them, he'd be back next year.

Individual parents have questioned school officials about Dr. Campbell's resignation at recent meetings, and this week more than 40 parents signed a letter to the school department. A majority of the West Middle staff, including four custodians and two secretaries, have also penned a letter to the superintendent, lauding Dr. Campbell's dedication and production as principal.

**West Middle School staff and parents want to know why Campbell's leaving:
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"We're just concerned that Dr. Campbell, who has worked very hard, (got) how do I say a raw deal without saying raw deal? It was a raw deal," said Jim Redmond, a teacher who signed the letter. "I don't think we're ready to mount a fight because Sam would not

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IRS brimming with activity as April 18 deadline nears

By Joan Brown

Beyond the gates of the Internal Revenue Service on Lowell Street, the building is brimming with activity as the April 18 income-tax filing deadline rapidly approaches.

"We're right dead in the middle of it," Roger Croteau, chief of the receipt and control branch, said of the flurry of last-minute income tax return filings. About 15 million 1994 tax returns will be processed here, with about a third of those arriving April 10-20.

Taxpayers in New England get a bonus this year - 24 extra hours to finish and file.

"This is the only place in the country where that happens," said Rebecca Helm, assistant chief of processing division. Because April 15 falls on a Saturday this year, Monday, April 17, is the deadline for tax returns at the nine other IRS processing centers. But Monday, Patriots Day, is a holiday here, so the deadline to file tax returns is midnight, Tuesday, April 18. "Taxpayers in our area get a little tiny break every few years," she said.

More than 4,000 people work at the Andover facility during the peak time in April, up from

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Local runners to join thousands in Monday's Boston Marathon

By Alix Driscoll

The Boston Marathon is turning into a way of life for more than a few Andover residents. They eat, breathe and train for it, some almost compulsively.

Take for example, **Jerry Sabath**, of Glen Meadow Road, an avid biker and member of the Andover Bike Committee. Now that he has decided to tackle the big one as his first running marathon, he has been training 35 miles a week. On weekends he does long runs with a neighbor, Sean Sullivan. Mr. Sabath ran the Covered Bridge Half-



Jerry Sabath

marathon in Vermont a year ago.

It's **Sean Sullivan's** first marathon, too. The 6'7" long-distance-carrier manager for NYNEX has been piling on the mileage with the Merrimack Valley Striders. Mr. Sullivan did the Kittery, Maine, to Salisbury, Mass., 20-miler in February for experience.

Christine Robertsen, of Phillips Academy, runs for the joy of it. "I absolutely adore running," she says. "When I run, I feel as if I've been on a vaca-

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Marathon

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my escape and my way of letting go of stress," she says.

Ms. Robertsen, 58 years old, is training hard to prepare for her

fourth Boston Marathon, her second with a number. She needed 4:05 to run officially; she ran 4:03.59. With her 6-year-old German short-haired pointer, Julia, at her side, she's been running a combination of five-mile and 10-mile courses since mid-December. Her son, Eric, a senior at Princeton, is joining her for the last 10 miles of Boston Monday.

Christine Robertsen's son, Eric, will run the last 10 miles with her.



Don Schwanenkamp, 42, *Townsmen* advertising manager, is running his 10th Boston. His best time so far is 3:37. He has been running six days a week, 10 to 15 miles on weekends. He says his best fan is his wife, Katie.

He has a custom of wearing distinctive headgear. "I'm going to wear my pink *Andover Townsman* baseball hat. I've worn it before and been recognized in the pack. '*Andover Townsman*, that's a good paper,' someone shouted last year," he says.

Patrick Donahue, 46, 15 Chandler Circle, an anesthesiologist at Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell, has been working out with the Merrimack Valley Striders.

"He has been doing heavy-duty training, doing 50 miles a week," says his wife, Nancy. He started running in Texas in 1987, and has competed in the Corpus Christi, Lowell and Bay State marathons.



Patrick Donahue

Matt Rivet, 28, a student at Northern Essex Community College, is running with several pounds of unbending rods in his legs, which could not support his weight three years ago. He was severely injured in a car accident that shattered both legs and put him in a month-long coma.

After extensive rehabilitation of both his limbs and learning

skills, he is fully engaged in both long-distance running and physical-therapy studies. Less than two years after his last surgery, he began running with the Merrimack Valley Striders. He says he hopes to earn a 3:45 Monday.

"My goal is to do it in under four hours because I've had my ankles reconstructed," says **Rick Jaffe**, who's running his 15th Boston.

To prepare, the Main Street resident has been lifting weights and running up to eight miles a day. He also puts his soles to the pedals, tearing up the miles on his stationary and mountain bikes. In addition to competing in Boston, Mr. Jaffe has raced in the New York, London, Marine Corps, Peace and Stanford marathons.

"I do it because I learn something new about myself," says **John Greene**, 15 Stoneybrook Circle.

It's his second Boston. He says he did an "ugly 3:08" last year when he'd hoped to break three hours. He earned a 30:30 in the Feaster Five last November. He works out on his treadmill each day at 4:30 a.m.

Mr. Greene and his family moved from Chicago a year and a half ago and he settled into the running scene with the Merrimack Valley Striders. Last November, his son, Cameron, 2½, competed in his first race, a 25-yard sprint. His daughter, Ashley, 12, runs a 6:15 mile. His family will watch him from the steps of the Prudential Insurance Co. building, where Mr. Greene works.

Tom Jurgen, 29, son of Mel and Bob Jurgen of Summer Street, is hoping to break four hours in his third Boston. So far, his best time is 4:15. A graduate of East Junior High, St. John's Prep and University of Lowell, he has been running the 16-mile route along the Charles River from his home in Newton to the Museum of Science.

Others from Andover who are running Monday are Lisa Doucette, 39; John Filbin, 42; Mark Hagan, 37; Philip Johnson, 37; Thomas McCarron, 38; Barrett McCarthy, 50; Tom McNamara, 40; Sam Nork, 31; Jon Stabileford, 50; Carmela Taveras, 32; John Tivnan, 28; and Beth

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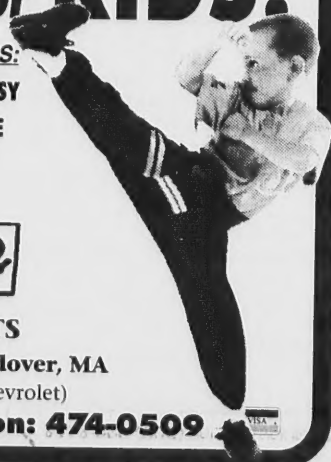
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Blasting to begin at AHS next week

Contractors putting in the new driveway at Andover High School will probably start blasting ledge out from in front of the school as early as next Wednesday, April 19. The blasting will be done between 6-7 a.m. each weekday morning, and will likely disrupt traffic on Shawsheen Road as well as the sleep of neighbors, according to Deputy Fire Chief Charles Murnane.

"It's the only time that there's not going to be anything around," Deputy Murnane said.

The blasting will continue for about a month. The area affected will be directly in front of the school.

Engineers will perform pre-blast inspections of three homes - at 91, 95 and 99 Shawsheen Road - in case the houses suffer any damage.

No blasting will be done during school hours or after school, or on weekends. But activity on the construction site may begin as early as 3 a.m., in order for the blast area to be prepared by 6 a.m., and machinery will likely be running by 5 a.m.

Deputy Murnane said officials hope to start the blasting next week, while students are on vacation, to work out a routine and prevent disruptions once school is back in session.

GOP Town Committee to meet April 27

The Andover Republican Town Committee will meet Thursday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. at First Essex Savings Bank on Main Street. Registered Republicans are welcome to attend.

Members of the Andover Republican Town Committee believe in the Republican principles of low taxes, small government, personal responsibility and entrepreneurial capitalism. The committee's goal for the 1995/1996 election cycle is to promote the party's agenda and apply the national agenda

to Massachusetts and Andover's government.

Town to hold cholesterol screening

The Andover Board of Health will hold a cholesterol screening clinic Wednesday, April 19, from 9 a.m. to noon for Andover residents only. An appointment is necessary.

The simple fingerstick test for total cholesterol costs \$5 and does not require fasting.

For more information or an appointment, call the health department at 470-3800, Ext. 255.

Athletic Hall of Fame

The deadline for submitting nominations for the Punchard/Andover High Athletic Hall of Fame is Friday, May 12.

Induction ceremonies for the Hall are to be held once every three years, and the date for the next tri-annual induction will be released at a future time.

The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to recognize individuals whose accomplishments in the area of athletics were significant to the Andover team, school and community. Eligible candidates include individual players, coaches, administrators and teams. Nominated athletes must have graduated from either Punchard or Andover High School, and demonstrated outstanding ability and sportsmanship while making a significant contribution to their team.

Coaches are to be judged on their performances in the development of individual and team success, and must have made a significant contribution toward promoting sound educational values.

Administrators should be nominated based on their long-term contributions to the school's athletic department.

Team nominations should be limited to those with outstanding perfor-

mances at the league, state, New England and national levels.

The Hall of Fame Committee may also elect to recognize an individual or individuals for extraordinary contribution to the athletic program.

A maximum number of 10 people will be inducted at each ceremony.

Each candidate must have been graduated for at least four years.

To be inducted, a candidate must receive 70 percent of the vote of the elector's board. The Hall of Fame Committee is comprised of 10 people, all of whom serve on the elector's board with five also serving as the executive board.

With the exception of the athletic director, James Hurley, members of the committee must have been inducted into the Hall of Fame.

All nominations must be submitted to James Hurley, Athletic Director, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, Mass 01810.

Disability Commission meets next week

The Andover Commission on Disability will hold a meeting Wednesday, April 19, at town offices from 6 to 8 p.m. Agenda items include membership, awareness and bylaws. The ACOD seeks to address issues concerning Andover and its citizens with disabilities. Call Mark Walker at 687-4288 if you wish to attend.

Sen. Kerry to address Chamber of Commerce

Massachusetts U.S. Senator John Kerry will address the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce at its annual dinner on Friday, April 28, at the Andover Marriott. The event will include the announcement of the Chamber's new board of directors.

Senator Kerry will speak on the government's role in business and economic development relative to the Chamber's activity.

Quote, unquote . . .

'It is with great regret that we must lose our principal. We appreciate him for his leadership, his professionalism, his courtesy, his friendship, and his hard work on the behalf of the Andover West Middle School.'
Many West Middle School staff members, in a letter, page 34

'Ithink the teachers in this case did not expect this to come. We expected to be preparing for a retirement party next year. People just sat there with their mouths open.'

West Middle teacher Jim Redman, talking about Sam Campbell's resignation, pages 1 and 5

'It sounds to me like so much politically correct hokum brought about by someone with a chip on their shoulder (Ms. Dunning) who is trying to get attention for herself and her pet cause.'

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Running for others

"In honor of Shawn" is emblazoned on the shirt that Harry Mann is wearing Monday.

That's Shawn Noonan, the 4-year-old son of Mark and Patty Noonan of Dascumb Road. After being diagnosed with leukemia and undergoing two years of chemotherapy, the youngster, a student at Shawsheen School, has been off the treatment for more than two years.

Mr. Mann has raised \$1,250 for the Leukemia Society of America with the help of his daughter, Allyson, 15, and a classmate at Notre Dame Academy, Nicole Lussier, who organized a bake sale.

"My goal is to break three and a half to four hours," says Mr. Mann, who has completed the New York, Newport, R.I. and Peace marathons.

Bill Pennington, 46 Clark Road, who will run the Boston Marathon to raise money for the Leukemia Society, is dedicating his run to Amy Duarte of



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Harry Mann is running for 4-year-old Shawn Noonan in Monday's Boston Marathon.

School Street. Amy had treatment for leukemia and is now on the road to complete recovery, according to Mr. Pennington.

As a member of the "Team in Training," Mr. Pennington has committed to

raising a minimum of \$1,000 for leukemia research. Mr. Pennington is asking for contributions, regardless of size.

Andover runner Keith Driscoll, 8 Joseph St., is also raising money for the Leukemia Society.

Bill Neville, from Londonderry, N.H., is running the 26-plus miles "in honor of Maggie," Maggie Pilot, the 3-year-old daughter of Vivian Pilot, a colleague at Andover Controls Corp., at Brickstone Square.

Just a year ago, doctors diagnosed Maggie, of Bedford, N.H., with a rare form of leukemia. The donor search found a suitable match; Maggie had a bone-marrow transplant and she's coming along.

It's the sixth year Bill Neville has strained his heart and soles for this cause.

Merrimack Valley Hospice Open Gates bereavement program for children, in Andover, is benefiting from the pledges of runner Bill Hames, of Salem, N.H., who's competing in his 13th Boston Marathon and his sixth pledged marathon. Mr. Hames' employ-



Bill Neville is running Monday in honor of Maggie Pilot, who he holds in this photo. Mr. Neville works with Maggie's mom, Vivian Pilot, at Brickstone Square.

er, Waste Management of Londonderry, N.H., sponsors him and matches employee pledges.

Monitoring the starting line will be Susan Conforti-Lewis, 151 Osgood St. She is one of the 1,500 volunteers from John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. who work on race day.



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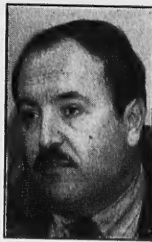
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want that."

Mr. Redmond said he wants Dr. Campbell to know that his work was appreciated, but he doesn't want to force Dr. Campbell into a confrontation with the School Committee and superintendent. He admits teachers want to know the circumstances around the principal's resignation.

Teachers were expecting the principal to work another year or two, and then return to Virginia, where he is

building a house, said Mr. Redmond. When asked, Dr. Campbell said his resignation was not related to his wife's, Helen's, illness.

"I think the teachers in this case did not expect this to come. We expected to be preparing for a retirement party next year," said Mr. Redmond. "People just sat there with their mouths open."



Jim Redmond

While the two new School Committee members, Tina Girdwood and David Birnbach, have asked questions themselves, veteran members are riding out this latest public-relations ripple.

Dick Neal, interim superintendent and a candidate for the permanent superintendency, has plainly stated he did not force Dr. Campbell to leave.

Under Education Reform, only the superintendent can fire a principal.

"This is a principal who knows children's names when he walks down the halls," Hannah Gentilcore, a parent, said at a recent committee meeting.

"Talking in the community, parents were very, very shocked by this."

"I'm very disappointed that we allowed this to happen as a town," Dean Risseeuw, another resident, said at that same meeting. "There's undoubtedly more to that (resignation) than I'm entitled to know."

Dr. Campbell says he does not want to comment on his resignation, but appreciated the recent letters from West Middle parents and teachers.

"Obviously, no matter what the circumstances, it's always nice to know that people appreciate the job you do," said Dr. Campbell.

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Youth charged with attempted murder of parents 15-year-old admits setting bed on fire

By Don Staruk

A 15-year-old Andover boy was charged this week with two counts of attempted murder and one count of arson after he allegedly set his parents' bed on fire as they slept Sunday morning in their Ashford Lane home.

Ashford Lane is off Pleasant Street in West Andover, between Boutwell and Bailey roads.


The couple was not hurt and the fire was quickly extinguished.

The boy, who had been under a doctor's care for emotional problems last year, according to police reports, has been committed to a New Hampshire hospital for evaluation.

[It is the Townsman's policy not to print the names of juveniles. The paper usually does not print the name victims.]

According to police and fire reports, the parents awoke at 6:19 a.m. with the foot of their bed on fire. The husband put the fire out with an extinguisher while his wife called the fire department. When firefighters and police arrived, the fire was out. At the foot of the bed, the mattress and box spring were burned, and the rug under the bed appeared melted.

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BUSINESS

Stephen M. Zappala

Stephen M. Zappala, M.D., was inducted recently as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. Dr. Zappala is a partner of the Andover Urology Associates and is on the staff of Lawrence General Hospital, specializing in pediatric and adult urology. He is also consulting urologist at Isham Infirmary at Phillips Academy.



Stephen M. Zappala

Dr. Zappala graduated from Central Catholic High School in Lawrence, Boston College, and the University of Massachusetts Medical School. He served residencies at the University of Massachusetts Medical School Center, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and the University of California at the Los Angeles Medical Center.

Dr. Zappala completed a fellowship in pediatric urology at the Hospital for Sick Children in London, England, and serves in the scientific committee at the New England section of the American Urologic Association. He lives in Methuen with his wife and two children.

Brian Woolf

Marshall's chairman and CEO Warren D. Feldberg announced recently that Brian Woolf has joined the company as vice president, general merchandise manager for women's sportswear.

Mr. Woolf is responsible for planning and implementing the company's overall merchandise strategy for women's sportswear. He reports to Mr. Feldberg.

Prior to joining Marshall's, Mr. Woolf had been with Federated

Department Stores for 15 years, most recently as senior vice president/general merchandise manager for all women's apparel at Lazarus.

Mr. Woolf joined Federated in 1980, serving as divisional merchandise manager for juniors and operating vice president/divisional merchandise manager at Bloomingdale's.

In 1985, he became divisional vice president/merchandise manager for better sportswear at Sanger Harris, where he was promoted to senior vice president/general merchandise manager for total sportswear. In 1987, he moved to Foley's as senior vice president/general merchandise manager for ready-to-wear, sportswear and juniors.

Mr. Woolf holds a bachelor of arts degree from New York University. He and his family will move to Massachusetts from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Marshall's corporate headquarters are at Brickstone Square in Andover.

Johanna Webster

Johanna Webster of Andover, senior sales associate at Century 21 McLennan & Company, has been awarded the Centurion award, one of the highest

levels of recognition awarded to top-producing, top-serving sales associates and offices in the Century 21 system. This the third year that Ms. Webster has earned this honor.

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Johanna Webster

James T. Stamas

James T. Stamas of Andover was recently named the first dean of Boston University's School of Hospitality Administration and associate dean of Metropolitan College.



James T. Stamas

He has served as vice president of Sonesta Hotels and senior vice president and chief administrative officer of Omni Hotels. For the past seven years he has been president of Stamas Partners, a consulting firm that has served many companies in the hotel, restaurant, hospitality and leisure industries.

Seth Bilazarian

Dr. Seth Bilazarian, a cardiologist with Pentucket Medical Associates Inc., spoke recently to more than 70 people at the Haverhill Public Library on "Diagnosis and Treatment of Heart Disease," in the first of the Pentucket Medical Associates Inc. cardiology division lecture series on heart disease. Dr. Bilazarian is on the medical staff of Hale Hospital, Holy Family Hospital, Lawrence General Hospital and Anna Jaques Hospital. He performs coronary intervention and angioplasty at Lahey Clinic Medical Center.

These free lectures provide education about heart disease.

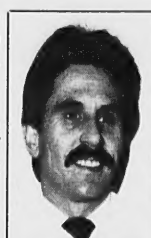
Dr. Bilazarian lives in Andover with his wife, Melanie, and three children, Ani, 1, Ara, 2, and Talene, 4.

George Danneman

George Danneman Jr., a nine-year resident of Andover, has become a

mortgage consultant with Metro Mortgage Co. in Chelmsford.

Mr. Danneman has nine years of extensive financing experience.



George Danneman Jr.

Jayne deConstant

Jayne deConstant of Andover, director of Little Executive Center in Wayland, announces that her center has been accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs. Ms. deConstant has been the director since the center opened in 1987. Prior to that, she was the director of Christ Church Nursery and Andover Village Nursery School.

Tom King

Hunneman & Company-Coldwell Banker recently announced that Tom King of Corporate Real Estate Services, the relocation division of Hunneman Real Estate Corp., has been given a 1994 corporate marketing achievement award for the second consecutive year. This award is given to corporate marketers for placing the largest number of referrals to Hunneman offices.

Patricia V. Wood

Patricia V. Wood, a registered nurse and cardiovascular risk consultant with Lifestyle Interventions in Andover, traveled recently with a delegation of cardiovascular nursing specialists to the People's Republic of China. Working in cooperation with the Chinese Nursing Association, China Association of Science and Technology and Citizen Ambassador Program, the delegation visited several cities.

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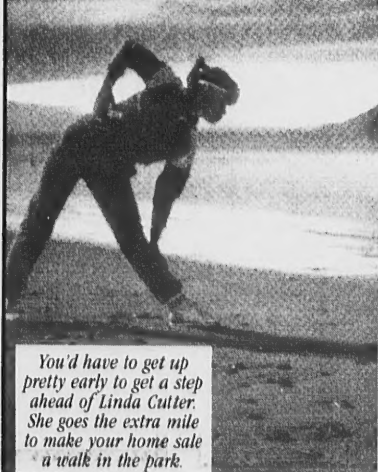


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The academic top 2 percent of graduating seniors are eligible to receive certificates recognizing their academic achievements. Each school may nominate a senior who is outstanding in mathematics, science or computer science to receive a certificate recognizing the student as a Tandy Technology Scholar. Ms. Pau was the student nominee from PA. Each school may also nominate an outstanding teacher in mathematics, science or computer science. These teachers receive a certificate of recognition and are eligible to compete for a \$2,500 cash award. Mr. Barry was the teacher nominee from PA.

Networking women to meet today at lunch

The Merrimack Valley Business Women's Network will hold a luncheon meeting Thursday, April 13, at 11:30 a.m. at Jackson's Restaurant in Methuen.

Linda Burns, a loan officer with Northmark Bank for more than seven years, will discuss credit issues for women. The Northmark Bank is an approved lender with the Small Business Administration and offers personal and business loans.

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HomeHealth adds new employees

Phebe M. Goldman, executive director of the Home Health Foundation at 1 Union St., recently announced the addition of new staff members to Merrimack Valley Hospice, a Foundation Agency. Hospice provides medical and emotional support for patients and their families in their final stages of life.

Pennie Hale recently started at Merrimack Valley Hospice as a secretary. She will acknowledge donations to the agency and offer clerical support to hospice staff members. Ms. Hale has previous experience as a bookkeeper and received a certificate for medical office administration from the Computer Learning Center in Methuen. She lives in Lawrence with her daughter, Megan Elizabeth.

Marie Daigneault recently joined Merrimack Valley Hospice as a certified

nursing assistant. She will take care of the personal needs of MVH patients which includes hygiene, dressing, feeding and one-to-one communication. Ms. Daigneault has secretarial experience and is currently a certified nursing assistant at Country Manor. She lives in Haverhill with her husband, Phillipe, and six children, Jessica, Vanessa, Stephen, Grace, Shannon and Paula.

Mary DeJesus recently started at Merrimack Valley Hospice as a certified nursing assistant and will provide personal care for hospice patients. She was a CNA at Sutton Hill Nursing Home. She lives in Lawrence with her husband, David, and daughter, Shannelly.

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2 charged with vandalism aimed at AHS principal

By Don Staruk

Two Andover High School students, both juveniles, were charged Tuesday with doing more than \$2,000 worth of damage to a car parked outside the High School during Town Meeting Monday night. When confronted with the charges, the youths admitted doing the damage because one or both of them was mad at AHS Principal Tim Thomas and they said that they thought the car was his, according to police.

They also admitted egging his house, at 150 Main St., just prior to wrecking the car, according to Officer John Pathiakis, investigating officer.

"They decided they were going to get the principal back," Officer Pathiakis said.

The two, a 16-year-old girl and a 15-year-

old boy, will each be charged with two counts of malicious damage, for the house and the car.

The gray 1991 Ford Taurus station wagon damaged belonged to Anne Gemmell of 290 Salem St. It was parked on the old tennis court pavement behind West Middle School. The damage was discovered when Ms. Gemmell came out of the meeting.

Obscenities were scratched into

the paint and glass of the car with a cinder block and pens and/or pencils, according to Officer Pathiakis.

The doors were dented, the windshield wipers, both side mirrors, a headlight and a blinker light were broken, and the antenna was bent.

Officer Pathiakis said the two egged the house and, when they found no car, went looking for the vehicle.

"And when they found a car that

they thought was his, they destroyed it," the officer said.

They also left a copy of the Andover High School student handbook, with profanities written in it, on the sidewalk at Mr. Thomas' house.

Officer Pathiakis said Mr. Thomas gave him four names of students who may have been involved, and two of

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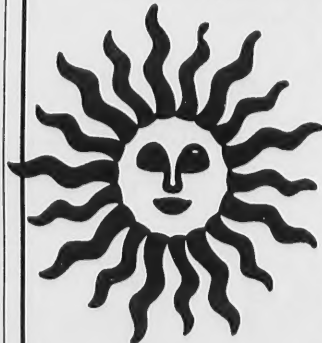
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Doctor Hector Rodriguez, Director of Anesthesiology with patient Alex Lizotte

Vandalism aimed at AHS principal Thomas

(Continued from page 10) the students had alibis.

Mr. Thomas in the meantime had talked with the parents of the boy and learned he had been out with the girl in a car during the time when the incident occurred.

After questioning, each of the two confessed to the crimes, according to Officer Pathiakis.

Officer Pathiakis said he was not pursuing whether the two were involved with another incident that occurred on Tuesday, April 4, in which a Rattlesnake Hill Road resident reported someone engraved the paint of his or her car while it was in the lot at Andover High School.

He was also not pursuing whether the pair was involved in an incident on Thursday, April 6, in which someone rang Mr. Thomas' doorbell and egged his house.

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Youth to be charged with attempted murder, arson

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Police left and Deputy Fire Chief Lincoln Clark and fire Lt. Ernest Fluet remained to investigate. A short time later, police officer Ed Higgenbottom was called to return to the house and learned the 15-year-old boy had admitted setting fire to the mattress, using a candle he lit on the gas stove and paper towels.

The boy allegedly said he was angry, though not necessarily at his parents, according to the police report.

A candle found in the boy's bedroom and paper towels were taken as evidence.

Police contacted the boy's therapist and escorted him to the doctor's office. The doctor then arranged for the youth to be committed for evaluation.

Police Monday sought and received an arrest warrant for the boy from Lawrence District Court. Upon his release from the hospital, the boy will be charged with two counts of attempted murder and one count of arson, according to the report by Officer Higgenbottom.

Police will pursue the charges, according to Lt. Arthur Ricci.

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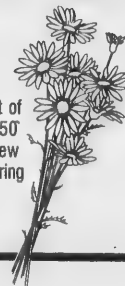
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Taxes

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the normal staffing of about 1,800.

Returns come to the IRS from the central postal station in Woburn, and at this time of year, they come by the truckload.

"On Monday, we're expecting 1.5 million pieces of mail," said Mr. Croteau. "We'll actually have trailer trucks parked outside."

Handling about 30,000 pieces of mail an hour, an electronic sorter is the first step in processing the returns.

Sorted returns are brought by the cartful to the main part of the building, an office space Mr. Croteau described as "the size of six football fields." Workers opening the envelopes often receive the brunt of the taxpayers' ire along with the returns.

"The best one I ever saw was a return with buttons around the edges," said Mr. Croteau. "Last year you took the shirt off my back," said a note on the return. "This year you get the buttons."

The returns are next readied by workers in the code and edit area for data transcribers. They then enter about 150 returns per hour into the remittance processing system.

Results are sent to a master file in



◀ In the photo at left, Eileen Dubois of 6 Shawsheen Road, an 18-year IRS employee, works as the lead mail clerk.

Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Washington D.C., and then to disbursing, where refund checks are issued.

"It takes about eight weeks to process, with the check coming about two weeks after, this time of year," said Mr. Croteau.

Two other branches housed in the massive building, adjustment and taxpayer relations, correct errors and handle taxpayers' letters, comments and complaints.

Just past these two areas, the IRS building takes a decided turn toward the more playful, with a daycare facility, playground and an accredited kindergarten on the site.

Workers at the IRS also benefit from a fitness area with aerobics and line-

dancing classes, a credit union, cafeteria and closed-circuit television that shows such scenes as palm trees and beaches in the dead of winter.

"There is a lot more to this building than just processing," said Shirley King, of IRS public affairs.

A world without 1040 forms

With a target date of the year 2000, the Andover IRS facility began the shift last week from its current mission as a processing center to a customer-service center. Five of the 10 processing centers throughout the nation will make the change, as the IRS moves toward making electronic filing the norm.

"We're trying to modernize the IRS and the way we do business," said Mr. Croteau.

Expanding customer service will allow on-line users to have questions answered quickly. Benefits are more accurate returns, quicker refunds and much cheaper processing costs, he said.

A major savings will come in storage costs. Electronically-filed returns are stored on disks roughly the size of a 78-rpm record, said Mr. Croteau. Each disk can hold 2.5 million returns, eliminating the need for large storage facilities.

Very little paperwork resulted from the two million electronic returns already filed in 1994. Returns filed for this year on the standard forms already fill a large portion of a warehouse in Methuen, said Mr. Croteau.

About 2,000 employees will work in the customer service center.

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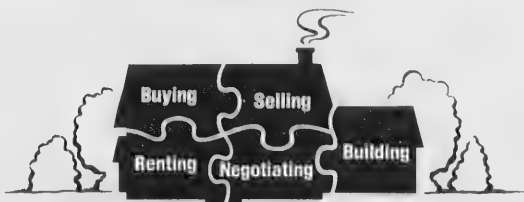
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Local groups receive cultural grants

State Sen. John D. O'Brien, D-Andover, and State Rep. Gary Coon, R-Andover, announce that the Massachusetts Cultural Council has approved grants for the Andover Cultural Council.

Andover Cultural Council grants:

Andover Choral Society for a performance of *Haydn's Creation*, \$400.

Andover Council on Aging for performance at St. Patrick's Day celebration for seniors, \$250.

Andover High School for a history of jazz program, \$500.

Andover Historical Society for an exhibit combining photographs and poetry, \$600.

Bancroft School PTO for school performances by Tribal Rhythms, \$500.

Bread & Roses Heritage Committee Inc. for 1995 Bread & Roses Festival, \$500.

Greater Lawrence Retired Senior Volunteers for musical tribute to senior volunteers, \$250.

Lawrence and Andover Visit the Arts for arts programs for public school students at Phillips academy, \$100.

Memorial Hall Library for Chinese culture art activities, \$275.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

School Building Committee, 7:30 p.m., third floor, town offices, Bartlet Street.

Patriotic Holiday Committee, 7 p.m., second floor, town offices.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

Conservation Commission, 7:45 p.m., third floor, town offices.

Board of Assessors, 9 a.m., assessors office, town offices.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

Ad Hoc Committee for Technology, 7 p.m., second floor, school administration building, Whittier Court.

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South Elementary School PTO for a school performance by Little Theatre of the Deaf, \$500.

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West Elementary School for Shririm Klezmer Orchestra performances, \$500.

West Middle School for a performance of song, dance, music and poetry by Kaleidoscope, \$50.

The Andover Cultural Council was selected to receive grants for the 1995 fiscal year to support cultural and educational programs for the

public. The Andover Cultural Council will be awarded grants exceeding more than \$7,000.

Sen. O'Brien and Rep. Coon join with Ronald Wackowski of the Andover Cultural Council to commend the council volunteers for their dedication and commitment.

"The contributions made by these individuals are vital to the success of this organization and their commitment to improving the quality of life in the community should be commended," Sen. O'Brien said.

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Youngsters engage in pure democracy

By Alix Driscoll

When Walt Whitman said, "Political democracy... supplies a training school for the making of first-class men (and women)," he might have been conjuring up, more than 100 years ago, the second annual Andover Youth Town Meeting.

On Tuesday afternoon, more than 100 elementary and middle school students exercised their responsibility to come together as a community, debate and cast votes on eight warrant articles that affect their lives. And debate they did.

In the 90-minute forum at Doherty Middle School auditorium, chaired by Aaryn Schmuhl, youth town meeting moderator and Andover High School senior, students approved an anti-littering and loitering article at town playgrounds, said "yes" to improving recycling in schools and public buildings, but defeated Article 9, giving students an option not to take art and music in all the schools.

The students recognized, with a moment of silence and respect, the enthusiastic convictions of Stephen Milmo, the Andover High student who died of cancer at home April 27, 1994, at age 15. He was a prime mover in last year's Youth Town Meeting.

The suprising upset of the afternoon was the 2-1 defeat of Article 3, an outdoor smoking ban in the "dense commercial areas" of town and in all public buildings, proposed by Gregg Curran of Bancroft School. Madeline Eustis, town clerk and DMS student, reminded the student voters that the town passed a smoking ban in all town buildings last year. Eric Frishman questioned the vague wording of "dense" areas.

But Emily Huston, DMS sixth-grader, urged that it be passed, saying secondary smoke can hurt innocent bystanders. Margaret Adams agreed, and added, "Many kids are afraid to walk through The Park" when there are smokers around.

The students considered how they could do their part to keep the world green. With little discussion they passed Article 1 unanimously, to improve recycling in the schools and public buildings.

"We don't have recycling," said Jared Connors of West Middle School. "With all the environmental mess out there, we need to do

something."

Students queued up in two exuberant lines to have their say on Article 9, to allow students to opt out of art and music classes. The elementary music program came under considerable fire.

"I'd rather do extra work in math than sing songs," said Philip Martin, a West Middle School fifth-grader.

Many agreed the songs are "boring"; others preferred to spend their time on more interesting pursuits.

But Phoebe Eustis, building inspector and DMS eighth-grader, reminded the student voters that art and music are requirements for graduation from Andover High School.

Ben Schmidt of WMS registered strong opposition, saying, "The solution is not to drop art and music, but to add money to the program so it will be better."

Jesse Gallagher, planning director and WMS student, agreed, and added, "I have a strong feeling that art and music are a part of our culture."

When the vote was taken, students defeated this contentious article. Art and music teachers in the schools can breathe a sigh of relief, although music teachers should note there was a crescendo of student opinion to change the curriculum, or perhaps the music textbooks.

And the students did ask for more opportunities to be involved in theatre by passing Article 2, to start a town drama club without the requirements of auditions.

The passage of YTM Article 7, to see if the town will purchase land for an indoor hockey rink was timely, in view of the previous evening's defeat of the proposal for the Youth Center at Annual Town Meeting, and the raucous discussion about building playing fields at South School. Many cited the need for more athletic opportunities, the high cost of ice time at private rinks, and safety.

"Many can't pay memberships, so they go to ponds (to skate). That's dangerous. Maybe they'll drown," said Chris Hanlon, a Bancroft fifth-grader.

Denise Littlefield, acting assistant superintendent of schools, and Charles Labell, DMS social studies teacher, organized this second Youth Town Meeting.



Aaryn Schmuhl



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Sophie Eustis, a South School student speaking in support of Article 6 at Youth Town Meeting, said she is concerned about children being seriously hurt by the broken glass that loiterers leave on school playgrounds.



Ben Schmidt, left, West Middle School student and health director, "strongly opposed" making art and music optional. "I'd rather have a youth center than a hockey rink," urged Steve Arsenault, WMS student and Department of Community Services coordinator.

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SCHOOLTALK

Next week, April 17-21, is school vacation week in the **Andover public schools**. School lunch menus will be published next Thursday, April 20, for the week of April 24-28.

Looking for something to do during **April vacation** next week? A number of children's activities are planned and a sampling of these follows.

The **Addison Gallery of American Art's** education department will offer two free children's activities during school vacation week for ages 7-12. A gallery talk and visual scavenger hunt in the exhibition "**Robert Frank: The Americans**" will be held Wednesday, April 19, from 10 a.m. to noon. A gallery talk and visual scavenger hunt in the exhibition "**Andover Alumni Collectors**" will be held Thursday, April 20, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Advance reservations are required. Call **Rebecca Hayes**, Addison education outreach coordinator, at 749-4017. The Addison Gallery of American Art is located at the corner of Main Street and Chapel Avenue, on the

Phillips Academy campus. The museum is open to the public, free of charge, Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.; and is handicapped-accessible.

A flier describing upcoming special vacation-week programs for school-age children Wednesday and Thursday, April 19 and 20, is available in the **Children's Room at Memorial Hall Library**. Activities on Wednesday include "Patchwork Tales" for grades 2-3 at 10:30 a.m. (register in advance), and "Books and Brownies" at 2:30 p.m. for grades 3-4. "Hop to It!", a story-craft for children K-1, will be held Thursday at 10:30 a.m. A drop-in craft table will be available for all ages throughout the week.

Pick up a flier or call the library for information.

X.J. Kennedy will be at the **Andover Bookstore** Saturday, April 22, from 3 to 4 p.m., reading and talking about poetry and signing his books. Mr. Kennedy is an editor of poetry. His *Introduction to Poetry* and *The Bedford Reader* have been used by high school and college students all over the country,

organizers said. Mr. Kennedy is perhaps best known for his zany children's poetry, including *Talking Like the Rain*. His collections have won awards and he has a reputation as an entertaining speaker. His work appeals to children's love of the rhythm and dance of sound in poetry:

*Did pterodactyl cackle?
Did brachiosaurus bray?
Did monoclonius toot
Through his horny snout
Ta ra ra boom de ay?*

The **Wilmington Figure Skating Club** will present its 12th annual spring show, "Crystal Ice Review '95 - Let the Good Times Roll!" Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22, at 7 p.m. at the Volpe Center, Merrimack College, Route 114, North Andover.

Andover skaters appearing in the show are **Lisa Lucas, Renee Lucas, Lea Ventura, Kira Ventura, Laura Denison, Mary Louise Fowler, Glenda Chao, Eliot Fowler, Erin Fitzpatrick, Alana Cuneo, Megan Cuneo, Caitlin Meehan, Jennifer Lambert, Kate Denison, Christina Cahill, Abigail Reilly, Meg Reilly, Amanda Farnola** and **Tracy Black**.

Ticket prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students under 18 and senior citizens. They may be obtained in advance at the **Ristuccia Expo Center**, Route 38,

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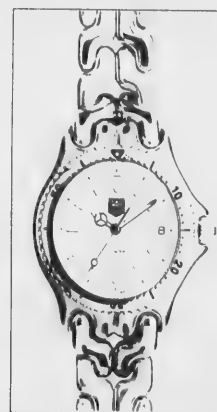
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Jade Reitman, Sanborn School principal, winds up to throw out the first pitch last week as students celebrate the school's second annual Opening Day, Monday, April 3. The 9 a.m. ceremonies were timed perfectly with the morning headlines in the daily newspapers that Major League Baseball's "work stoppage" — the baseball strike — had ended. After studying baseball across the curriculum for weeks, students played ball and enjoyed a day with the baseball-related theme, "Learning is a Hit." Members of the AHS varsity baseball team joined the students in the field. Students enjoyed a "Take-Me-Out-to-the-Ballgame" lunch (hot dogs, peanuts, Cracker Jacks, tonic and "Babe Ruths"). In reflection essays submitted to the *Townsmen*, one third-grader commented that they had good hot dogs — "They didn't bounce." Students enjoyed an afternoon of sharing baseball cards, memorabilia and fun. Opening Day was organized by third-grade teacher **Dorothy McCormick** (back, at left).

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The Sisterhood of Temple Emanuel will present a science "magic" show, featuring **Stephen Lechner**, next Thursday April 20, at 1 p.m. at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road. Admission is \$4 per person.

This 45-minute program features interac-

tive science experiments with an entertaining twist, designed to prove that science can be fun and educational. Experiments include self-inflating balloons, a color-changing ghost and the world's greatest musical instrument.

Mr. Lechner has a degree in early childhood education and three years of experience in museum-based education. He provides science and nature programs for children and early childhood educators.

For more information, call **Barbara Holstein** at 470-3091.

The **Phillips Academy Music Department** will present a recital of traditional Irish airs, jigs, reels, songs, and dances featuring the **Keltic Kids** of Wilmington Wednesday, April 19, at 7 p.m. in the Timken Recital Room in Graves Hall. Twin brothers

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Andover High School awards assembly recognizes student achievers

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All A's in academic courses: Allyson Ahern, Susan Ashlock, Eliza Bobek, Rachel Brodie, Laura Burkle, Lauren Chabot, Abbie Daniel, Andrew Ewalt, Mark Ewalt, Johanna Gordon, Gaurav Gupta, Kauser Hazarika, Julia Henderson, Parick Hess, Allison Jenkins, Stacy Kangisser, Michael Kaufman, Elizabeth Kelley, Billy Kim, Evan Koch, Elizabeth Krieger, Albert O. Kwon, Robert O. Kwon, Stacy Labarre, David Lipman, Sonal Mukhi, Jessica Perkins, Michael Scarpula, Patrick Sharkey, Amy Shui, Maximilian Soong, Cindy Su, Brian Treitman, Emily Wilner, Heather Young, Kaitlin Kessler, Stephen Muench.

Art: Susan Ashlock, Heidi Kim, Paul Krasnoo, Jamie Patterson, Laurie Roy, Mark Wood, Samantha Ford.

Athletic: Jennifer Blongiewicz, Susan Cookson, Marc Edward, Robert Ellis, Tracie Grant, Diana Liberty, Marcie Lutsch, Scott Nichlson, David Shaffer, Irene Shui.

Community service: Ellen Fantini, Erin Gammon, Sarah Weir, Alan Arstenstein, Tamar Carroll, Andrea DiBenedetto, Meghan Doyle, Edward Friedenson, Anna Kelleher, Kaitlin Kessler, Kendra McDade, Valerie Parker.

G.L.E.C.: Matthew Cole, Gillian Corkery, Keith Ducey, Karen Gar-

cia, Jocelyn Gould, Sheila Kyte, Helen Sellers, Jennifer Thomas.

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Cristina Babine, Daniel Currier, Joseph King, Pulin Patel, Glan Siniawski.

National Merit finalist: Chris Fromme, Andrew Ewalt, David Lipman, Katherine Reil-

ly, Irene Shui, Maxmillian Soong.

School service recognition: Math-

ew Butterfield, Christine Contos, Erika Buschmann, Jamie Bateman, Andrea Catanzaro, Kristen Chaisson, Lisa Cincotta, Robin Detterman, Karen Garcia, Carolyn Genge, Erika Gulezian, Kimberly Kelly, Marcie Lutsch, Katherine Matto, Michael McDonough, Kelly Moore, Abdel Ortiz, Amand Pancarbo, Christina Pantelis, Rex Rambo, Laura Selima, Eric Shea, Kevin Shepard, Joan Sunderland, Jason Velleux, Virginia

Wealdie, Jose Zaiter, Keith Putnam.

Drama and music: Robin Detterman and Jennifer Powers, acting award for *Lost in Yonkers*; Zach Howard, T.J. Witham, all-state chorus; Todd Buonopane, Amy Hayner, Zach Howard and T.J. Witham, district chorus; Jeffrey Dennis, UMass senior honor band; Kathryn O'Donnell, all-state band; Gregory Adams, Kathryn O'Donnell and Heather Young, district band.

Andover High School Drama Guild will present Rodgers and Hammerstein's *South Pacific* Friday and Saturday, May 5-6, at the Collins Center

The Andover High School Drama Guild will present Rodgers and Hammerstein's *South Pacific* Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6, at 8 p.m. in the Collins Center.

The performance will be dedicated to all American veterans on the anniversary of the end of World War II.

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More than 100 students are involved in the production, including cast, crew and orchestra.

The leads include junior Rick Snyder as

Emile de Becque; seniors Emily Winters and Carly Robins as Nellie Forbush; senior Aaron Waxler and junior Todd Buonopane as Luther Billis; junior Julia Henderson and freshman Jen Powers as Bloody Mary; sophomore Meghan Woo and freshman Lindsay Strube as Liat.

The production is directed by Robert A. Laque of the High School faculty. The assistant director is W. Douglas Halsted III of the Doherty Middle School faculty. Jean Pendergrass, head librarian at the High School, is choreographer.

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Grade 9

High academic and effort honors: Jared Craft, Megan Goodwin.

Academic and effort honors: Hilary St. Jean.

Grade 8

High academic honors: Jillian Booty, Colleen Boylan, Michael Ercolini, Justin Fay, Erin Fitzpatrick, Lindsey Hellmann, Tiffany Horne, Ethan Jacobs, Margo Lindauer, Max Sung, Simon Thavaseelan, Piercarlo Valdesolo, Charles Wang, Mairzy Webster.

Academic honors: Amber Amore, Ryan Buchanan, Elizabeth Dayotis, Heather Foster, Joseph Giallanella, Maximilian Hsia, Matthew Kalin, Dan Karahalios, Kirsten Lantelm, Nicolas Lirette, M.J. Lynch, Daniel Macek, Alexis Mallen, Vincent Miccio, Kacey Mulgrew, Melina Otero, Morgen Peck, Julie Petralia, Keely Schmidt, Erik Shaughnessy, Lydia Shovan, Deborah Siller, Emily

Simons, Allison Sullivan, Shalini Umapathy, Ethan Wang, Patricia Waters.

High effort honors: Colleen Boylan, Michael Ercolini, Erin Fitzpatrick, Lindsey Hellmann, Ethan Jacobs, Margo Lindauer, Morgen Peck, Lydia Shovan, Max Sung.

Effort honors: Melissa Armstrong, Ryan Buchanan, Justin Fay, Joseph Giallanella, Tiffany Horne, Maximilian Hsia, Matthew Kalin, Kirsten Lantelm, M. J. Lynch, Christina O'Neill, Julie Petralia, Keely Schmidt, Deborah Siller, Emily Simons, Allison Sullivan, Simon Thavaseelan, Shalini Umapathy, Piercarlo Valdesolo, Charles Wang, Patricia Waters, Mairzy Webster.

Grade 7

High academic honors: Katherine Anderson, Michelle Chun, Naseem Dahod, John Michael DiResta, Meghan Hayes, Jonathan Hed, Kristine Kirwin, Steven Koh, Bridget MacKean,

Patrick Murphy, Brendan Pytko, Justin Pytko,

Rebecca Shilpa

Robertson, Srinivasan,

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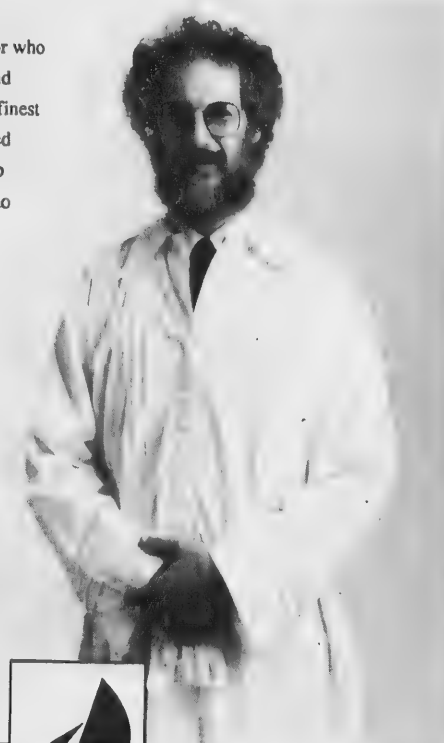
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Superintendent finalists now 4

By Neil Fater

William Jutras, the candidate who criticized the School Committee's annual goals, was dropped from consideration Tuesday and will not become the next superintendent of Andover schools.

Four of the five School Committee members voted before Town Meeting to eliminate Dr. Jutras from the search, leaving four candidates to tour the schools a few weeks from now and meet teachers, parents and students.

At points during Dr. Jutras' School Committee interview last Thursday, it was difficult to tell just who was interviewing whom.

Dr. Jutras, a West Warwick, R.I., superintendent, told the committee he'd heard great things about Andover but was disappointed with some of the committee's stated goals.

"I don't really see the focus on children. I'm really worried about that," he said. Dr. Jutras also doesn't support involuntary teacher transfers and told the committee, "If you're really hanging your hat on that one I guess you're not a good match."

Asked why superintendent tenures only last about 2.8 years, he said superintendents willing to take risks move on when they realize they'll have to give in to political pressure.

"My feeling is that there are many superintendents out there who really want to improve schools," said Dr. Jutras, "and the ones who take the chances are the ones who don't survive."

Assuming he wanted the Andover position, Dr. Jutras' risky answers did not pay off. Tina Girdwood was the only committee member who wanted Dr. Jutras to remain in the running.

"I don't think he wants the job. I feel that his manner of just being antagonistic and so on is not at all what we need," said Lloyd Willey, committee member, explaining his vote. "We don't need someone coming in here and having confrontations."

7th-graders, parents attend 'Bridging the Gap'

More than 900 seventh-graders and their parents attended the "Bridging the Gap" program March 31 at Ramada Rolling Green. Students and teachers from Doherty and West middle schools attended.

"Bridging the Gap" is a series of workshops aimed at improving communication and understanding between parents and adolescents.

According to Health Education Coordinator Brenda O'Brien, "Last year about 70 percent of the students had at least one parent attend with them. This year, about 90 percent of the parents participated." Parents and their adolescents attended two workshops together and one work-

Dick Neal supports Sue Dalton's rezoning proposal

By Don Staruk

Acting schools superintendent Richard Neal stood and voted for a private zoning article proposed by School Committee chairwoman Susan Dalton Tuesday night at Town Meeting. Mr. Neal is one of the final four candidates seeking the permanent job of school superintendent, a position that will be hired by Ms. Dalton's committee.

Ms. Dalton was seeking to rezone a portion of the lot her house is on so that it could be subdivided into six saleable house lots.

After the meeting, a reporter asked Mr. Neal if he thought it might have been unethical for him to vote on the proposal, with his seeking a job on which Ms. Dalton will have a vote.

"Certainly not. I have a right to vote on anything in this community," Mr. Neal said.

Dr. Jutras' elimination leaves R. Lloyd Jaeger, John Krewer, Dick Neal and Dennis Pope vying for the schools' top spot. Brief coverage of three candidates' interviews appears below. Dr. Jaeger's interview appeared last week.

John Krewer

The Andover system is in great shape but needs to involve the community in preparing a broad five-year plan, said John Krewer, Woodstock, Conn., superintendent.

The five-year plan must be assessed every year, and will keep the community goals in focus regardless of who comes and goes on the School Committee, he said.

Dr. Krewer believes this process not only builds community ownership of the tax money spent on schools, but also creates a "surprise-free" budget.

"The budget is a road map," he

said. "What's the Andover difference? What clearly sets us apart?"

Dr. Krewer said he will also involve the community in grading various aspects of Andover education on an A-F scale to see what areas need work. "Again, it's a system in excellent repair. The key is moving to the next level of growth," he said.

Part of this movement will involve technology and Dr. Krewer said the superintendent must be "the point man" for technology use and curriculum implementation.

Dr. Krewer has 6-year-old twin boys, and two teen-age daughters.

"It would be my personal and professional goal with the two boys (just starting school) to have them here through graduation from high school," he said.

Lloyd Willey and Tina Girdwood will investigate Dr. Krewer's background.

Richard Neal

If given the superintendent job, Dick Neal said he, too, does not plan to leave for new pastures anytime soon. "I will tell you, short of you wanting me to go, I'm from Andover," he said.

Mr. Neal, interim superintendent and the known candidate, said when he left the Andover system in 1973, it was with the hope that one day he would come back as superintendent.

Mr. Neal said his knowledge of the Andover schools and town government will help build committee relationships and improve education.

Asked about cutting the budget, Mr. Neal said he preferred eliminating specific programs rather than making across-the-board percentage reductions.

If you do across-the-board cuts, he said, "you weaken everything and you wind up not doing anything as well as you could."

Dick Muller, School Committee member, will talk with North Andover officials because Mr. Neal worked there before being named assistant superintendent here.

Dennis Pope

The morning he came for his

Andover interview, said Dennis Pope, a fifth-grade student e-mailed him an invitation to participate in a technology program. Mr. Pope had to decline, but appears committed to active use of computers at a young age.

"We have to take the same position as business. We cannot afford not to have technology," he said. If he has one weakness he said it is that he doesn't interact with students enough.

Mr. Pope, a New Hampshire superintendent, said educators must work together as a team because "no one person can make a difference for an entire school system."

Mr. Pope said it takes at least three and probably five to eight years to institute significant change.

Because he was born in Haverhill, he characterized getting the Andover superintendency as a type of homecoming.

Mr. Willey will visit Bedford, N.H., to check on the job Mr. Pope is doing there.

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- "Reach for the stars" by Ed Gere-ty of Gerey Presentations;
- "What's your point of view?" by Mike Wartman, Doherty guidance, and Peggy Cain, AHS guidance;
- "Family works" by Ruby Easton, director, AHS guidance;
- "Dealing with violence - Law enforcement's perspective" by Joe Hastings, Andover police;
- "Keeping on track - A guide to fitness" by Lori Lavolette, nationally certified fitness specialist;
- "Busted - Alcohol and the law" by Robert Cronin, Andover police;
- "Sticks and stones can break my bones but words can break my heart" by

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TOWN OF ANDOVER CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION NOTICE

The Town of Andover will be conducting curbside leaf collection during the weeks of 4/18-4/22 and 5/15-5/19. Residents are to put their leaves out on their designated trash collection day. Any appropriate size containers may be used for leaves, but if using plastic bags they **MUST BE CLEAR PLASTIC.**



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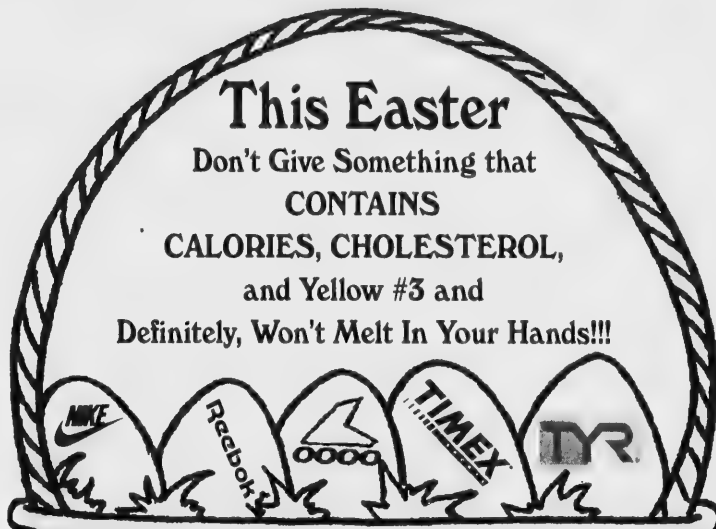
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'Bridging the Gap'

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AHS Project Teamwork, Janice Fitzgibbons, adviser;

• "Inner images: Don't weigh your

self-esteem, it's what's inside that counts" by Fran Booth, LICSW, BCD, and Cheryl Juba, MA, CMHC, Inner Visions Counseling);

• "Talking with

your kids about sexuality" by Carol Plotkin, LICSW, Mary Carlson, PNP Harvard Community Health Plan/Nashua Medical Group;

• "What happened to the princess?: Adolescent girls and self-esteem" by Lynn

Barash, LICSW, associate in psychological services;

• "Conflicts: Wants in Collision" by Laurie Carrick, WMS guidance, and Judy Piolunek, WMS

adjustment counselor.

"Bridging the Gap" was developed by Brenda O'Brien, in cooperation with the Andover Community Health Advisory

Team, Andover public schools departments of health education and guidance, Parent to Parent, Andover Youth Council, Department of Education Family

Involvement Grant, AHS G.U.T.S., AHS Project Teamwork, Doherty and West middle schools staff and parents, and the Andover Police Department.

Parent group repeats S.T.E.P. program

Parent to Parent will again present the nationally recognized parenting program S.T.E.P. (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting), a five-week program with weekly two-hour sessions. An evening session will be held Tuesdays, April 25-May 23, from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

A day session will be held Wednesday, April 26-May 24, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. The program, appropriate for parents of children ages 4-12, will be held at the Pike School conference room on Sunset Rock Road. To regis-

ter, call Lynn Wailes at 475-3956.

Parent to Parent will also sponsor the S.T.E.P. program for parents of teens on Wednesdays, April 26-May 24 from noon-1:30 p.m. in the School Committee Room on the second floor of the School Administration Building on Whittier Court. Bring a brown-bag lunch. To register, call Posie Cowan at 474-4794.

Pre-registration is required and space is limited. The cost is \$70 per person or \$100 per couple, which includes the S.T.E.P. Handbook.

Noam Chomsky to speak April 27 at PA

Noam Chomsky, world-famous MIT linguist and political analyst, will speak at Phillips Academy on Thursday, April 27, on "The Economic Implications of Post-War U.S. Foreign Policy."

The free lecture is sponsored by PA's Andover Economics Pro-

ject and the Department of History and Social Science.

The program will take place in the Tang Theater in George Washington Hall at 8 p.m.

Professor Chomsky is the author of what *Uncle Sam Really Wants*.

The deadline for school news & info for the next issue is Friday, April 14, at 5 p.m.

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Pike School honor roll

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ald, Ashley Harmeling, Georgia Karbe, Sara Kellner, Jessica Kramer, Joseph Lovoi, Timothy Moulton, Daniel Murphy, Arnold Ross, Joseph Shannon, Matthew Sullivan, Chad Turner, J.R. Urban, Christopher Webber, Emily Wheeler.

High effort honors: Katherine Anderson, Naseem Dahod, John

Michael DiResta, Steven Koh, Bridget MacKean, Kristin Steinert.

Effort honors: Michelle Chun, Bernadette Doykos, Laura Fitzgerald, Meghan Hayes, Jonathan Hed, Georgia Karbe, Kristine Kirwin, Daniel Murphy, Patrick Murphy, Brendan Pytko, Justin Pytko, Rebecca Robertson, Shilpa Srinivasan, Evan Telios, Christopher Webber, Emily Wheeler.

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High academic honors: Suzanne Costello, Andrew DeLollis, Jeffrey Diamond, Andrew Larson, Sara Lentini, Luke LeSaffre, Thomas Ober, Ellie Parnes, Katherine Therrien, Roselee Treitel. **Academic honors:** Douglas Armstrong, Edward Baluta, Vanessa Bogosian, Caitlin Brown, Stas Cannon, Courtney Craft, Elizabeth Edmonds, Sarah Fitzgerald, James Ford,

Ashley Foster, Justin Foster, Nathan Glore, Tiana Grasso, Jeffrey Harnois, Rebecca Hellmann, Elizabeth Lotter, Laurence Lyons, Benjamin Martin, Brian Mulligan, Ashlee Nantoski, John O'Brien, Peter Pappavasello, Mark Robinson, Peter Robson, James Tourkistas, Gillian Wang, Christina Warfield, Brett Weiner, Sarah Wilkens.

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Therrien, Gillian Wang, Christina Warfield. Pike, an independent coed day school, enrolls 400 students in Pre-kindergarten through Grade 9.

Posters reflect students' thoughts

To publicize that April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children asked students from South, Doherty Middle and Pike schools to design posters with the theme "What Children Need to Get a Good Start in Life."

The teachers who encouraged students to undertake this project were Lana Reuss from Doherty Middle School, who runs the

Kids for Kids group, Cynthia Velishka and Ken Herz from Pike School, and Anne Hodge from South School.

The posters reflected the students' thoughts about the importance of education, parental guidance and praise, and friendship in their lives.

The posters will be on display this month throughout the Andover area.

In addition to these posters, the

MSPCC has many awareness and fund-raising events happening during the month of April.

MSPCC will host "A Day at the Races" at Suffolk Downs on Sunday, April 30. The day will include a Kentucky Derby luncheon with Dixieland music.

Tickets are \$50 per person.

Local volunteers are hosting coffee hours or parties in their homes to raise funds for MSPCC, as

well as to educate their guests about GoodStart, MSPCC's Child Abuse Prevention Program.

MSPCC welcomes additional volunteers interested in hosting events of any kind.

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Bible chapels

Andover Bible Chapel
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SUNDAY: 9:15 a.m. BB; 11 a.m. Service and Sunday school.

WEDNESDAY: 7:30 p.m. Prayer, praise and devotion. Nursery provided.

FRIDAY: 7 p.m. Kids' Night for 5- to 12-year-olds; 7:30 p.m. Friday night Fellowship/Bible study.

New England Bible Church
Chandler Road
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WEDNESDAY: 7 p.m. Bible study and prayer.

Catholic

St. Augustine Church
43 Essex St.

GOOD FRIDAY: Noon Eucharist service at South Church; 3 p.m. Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m. Celebration of the passion of Our Lord and a dramatic presentation of the death of Our Lord.

HOLY SATURDAY: 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil.

EASTER SUNDAY: Masses at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m., and 12:30 p.m. in church; 9:35 a.m. and 11:05 a.m. in St. Rita Hall (under the church). There will be no babysitting.

St. Robert Bellarmine Church

Haggetts Pond Road
GOOD FRIDAY: 8:30-10:30 a.m. Prayer walk. Walk will begin and end at St. Augustine Church; 3 p.m. Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m. Service of the Passion. Veneration of the cross and Holy Communion.

HOLY SATURDAY: Noon. Blessing of Easter baskets; 7:30 p.m. Easter vigil.

EASTER SUNDAY: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. Mass.

Daily Mass: 9 a.m. Safeplace: Second and fourth Tuesday of every month in rectory at 7 p.m.

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SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m. Church services, Sunday school nursery available.

WEDNESDAY: 8 p.m. Testimony meeting.

Congregational

Free Christian Church
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FRIDAY: 7:30 p.m. FACS. SATURDAY: 9:30 a.m. Praise group; 11 a.m. Junior choir.

SUNDAY: 9 a.m. Worship, Sunday School; 10:45 a.m. Worship, child care.

MONDAY: 8 p.m. Homecoming.

Episcopal

Christ Church
25 Central St.
475-0529

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 6:45. Choir; 7:30 p.m. Holy

Communion followed by all-night vigil.

GOOD FRIDAY: 8:30 a.m. Prayer walk starts at St. Augustine.

HOLY SATURDAY: 8 a.m. Pancake breakfast and Easter egg hunt; 4 p.m. Holy Baptism; 8 p.m. Great vigil of Easter.

EASTER SUNDAY: 7 a.m. Holy Communion - Rite I; 9 a.m. Holy Confirmation - Rite II; Children's service in North Chapel; 11 a.m. Holy Communion - Rite II.

TUESDAY: 7 a.m. Bible study; 2:30 p.m. Bible study.

WEDNESDAY: 7 a.m. Holy Communion and healing (Moses Chapel), 10:30 a.m. AA; 7 p.m. Teen bell choir; 8 p.m. Al-Anon.

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Inter-denominational

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Community Church
16 Haverhill St.
749-3640

GOOD FRIDAY: 8:30 a.m. Prayer walk; 7:30 p.m. Eucharist service at Free Christian Church.

EASTER SUNDAY: 6 a.m. Sunrise service in The Park combined with Andover Baptist Church. Continental breakfast will follow. 10:30 a.m. Worship with music.

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WEDNESDAY: 7:30 p.m. Connections, a small group ministry, meets. Call the church for more information.

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SATURDAY: 9 a.m. Sabbath morning service. Second Pesach Seder.

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FRIDAY: 8:15 p.m. Shabbat eve service.

SATURDAY: 9 a.m. Shabbat service in chapel.

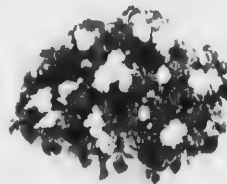
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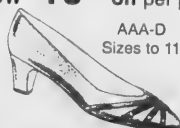
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WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS



James and Jessica Hart

Goodwin-Hart

Jessica Marion Goodwin and James Terrence Hart of Princeton were married Aug. 20, 1994, at First Congregational Church of Princeton. The Rev. Dennis Both performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Goodwin of Andover. She graduated Plymouth State College in 1983 and is employed by the Talbots Company.

Her husband is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hart. He graduated Plymouth State College in 1978. He is account executive with Exhibit Support of Acton.

The couple toured Ireland and now live in Princeton.



Brian Bailey and Ann James

James-Bailey

David and Marianne James of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Ann Elizabeth of Concord, to Brian Patrick Bailey, also of Concord.

Ms. James graduated from Andover High School in 1986 and from University of New Hampshire in 1990. She is pursuing a master's degree at Northeastern University.

Mr. Bailey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Bailey of Westford. He graduated from Westford Academy and St. Anselm College. He is project manager with Answer Systems.

The couple plan a July wedding.



Aimee and Paul Phleger

Damon-Phleger

Aimee Lynn Damon and Paul Michael Phleger were married Sept. 17, 1994, at St. Augustine Church. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. William Barron, O.P., of Providence College.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn J. Damon of Andover. She graduated Andover High School in 1984 and Fitchburg State College in 1988. She is a special education teacher in Methuen.

Her husband is the son of Capt. and Mrs. Charles P. Phleger of Andover. He graduated Andover High School in 1984 and Providence College in 1989. He is self-employed.

The couple honeymooned in the Greek Islands.

They live in North Andover.

New wedding and engagement forms are available at the Andover Townsman, 33 Chestnut St., Andover, Mass. 01810, or by calling 508-475-1943.

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WORSHIP SERVICES

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Lutheran

Faith Lutheran Church
360 S. Main St.
MAUNDY THURSDAY:
7:30 p.m. Holy Communion.
GOOD FRIDAY: 7:30 p.m.
Worship service. Senior
choir - Faure's *Requiem*.
EASTER SUNDAY: 6:30
a.m. Sunrise service; 8:30
a.m. Holy Communion with
children's message; 10:30
a.m. Holy Communion with
children's message; Nursery
care provided.

Quakers Religious Society of Friends

Graham House
Wheeler Street
SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m. Wor-
ship, First Day school and
child care.

United Church of Christ

South Church
41 Central St.
THURSDAY: 4 p.m.
Cherub choir; 4:45 p.m. Car-
ol choir; 6 p.m. Bereavement
group; 7:30 p.m. Service in
sanctuary.

GOOD FRIDAY: Noon
Community service in sanc-
tuary; 8 p.m. Alcoholics
Anonymous.

EASTER SUNDAY: 6 a.m.
Sunrise service in West
Parish Cemetery; 9 a.m.
Worship service; 10:30 a.m.
Worship service.

MONDAY: 9 a.m. Mom's
Club; 7:30 p.m. Board of
trustees.

TUESDAY: 9:30 a.m. Bible
study; 7 p.m. Survivors of In-
cest Anonymous.
WEDNESDAY: 6:30 a.m.
Men's Fellowship.

West Parish Church
129 Reservation Road
MAUNDY THURSDAY:
7:30 p.m. The Last Supper
and communion.
GOOD FRIDAY: Noon
Community worship at
South Church.

EASTER SUNDAY: Sun-
rise service at West Parish
Garden Cemetery, 9 a.m.
Worship; 10:30 a.m. Wor-
ship ministry.
TUESDAY: 7:30 p.m. Wor-
ship ministry.

WEDNESDAY: 7:30 p.m.
Choir.

Unitarian

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SATURDAY: 6 p.m. Pot-
luck Passover Seder.
EASTER SUNDAY: 9-10
a.m. Family breakfast; 10:30
a.m. Worship.

United Methodist

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23 Clark Road
475-2506

MAUNDY THURSDAY:
6:30 p.m. A meal in the upper
room will include dinner,
communion and reading of
events leading up to Jesus'

death. The meal will be fol-
lowed by a service in the
sanctuary.

GOOD FRIDAY: 7 a.m.-7
p.m. Sanctuary will be open
for meditation.

EASTER SUNDAY: Ecu-
menical sunrise service, 8:30
a.m. A service of Holy Com-
munion with senior choir;
10:30 a.m. A festival service
with junior and senior
choirs; The topic of Rev.
Morrison's sermon will be
"Rejoice Christ is Risen!"
Readings will be Isaiah 65:17-
25, Acts 10:34-43 and John
20:1-8. Breakfast will be
served between services.

TUESDAY: 8 p.m. AI-
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WEDNESDAY: 7:30 p.m.
Bible study and prayer.

FRIDAY: 7:30 p.m. Area
class meetings for home
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SATURDAY: 9 a.m. Kore-
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By Liz Tentarelli

Avid walkers and amateur naturalists, take note. No longer will you have to drive to a state park or Audubon Society preserve to enjoy walking a self-guided nature trail. Thanks to a grant from the Fund for the Preservation of Wildlife and Natural Areas, AVIS is developing a local nature trail, with information of interest to adult amateur naturalists. An interactive guide for children may also be developed.

Indian Ridge and West Parish Meadow reservations have been chosen for the project because of their variety of ecosystems in a small area. The woodlands of the Indian Ridge esker, the West Parish meadow and ponds, and the wetlands crossed by boardwalks are home to many species of plants and animals. Even this early in the year one can find emerging plants, such as skunk cabbage and bedstraw. The male redwing blackbirds are scouting the wetlands, choosing the perfect spot from which to attract the females, who will soon arrive.

To be serenaded, walk near the ponds, but not too close. The frogs are in full chorus right now.

During the next year AVIS will gather information on the plants, animals, and geology of the area. The guide booklet should be available in time for wildflower season in 1996.

Committee members are Liz Tentarelli, Tom Cone, Marta Hornridge, Lynn Beattie, and Dave Dargie. Five people, however, can't see everything. While the committee will write and format

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OBITUARIES

Harry M. Fleet Son lives in Andover

Harry M. Fleet, 72, of Haverhill died Wednesday, April 5, at Lahey Clinic in Burlington. Mr. Fleet was born in Lawrence. He graduated from Lawrence High School in 1939.

Mr. Fleet served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

After the war he moved to Haverhill where he owned and operated Fleet Plastics Co. and the former H&H Scrap Metal Co.

Mr. Fleet was past president of Temple Emanu-El. He was awarded the Solomon Schechter Day School Community Leadership Award in 1993 and the B'nai B'rith Award for Distinguished Service in 1989.

He was past master of the Bethany Lodge AF&AM, a member of Haverhill Planning board, a lifetime member of the 100 Club of Massachusetts, a sustaining member of the Massachusetts Police Chief Association, Haverhill VFW Post, Jewish War Veterans, Society of Plastic Engineers, Haverhill Country Club and a former director of Haverhill National Bank.

He was also a member of the Congregation Ohev Shalom in Orlando, Fla.

Members of his family include his son, Dr. Stephen M. Fleet of Andover; daughters, Dr. Shelly Fleet of Longwood, Fla., and her husband, Dr. Edward Ackerman, and Laurel S. Friedman of Windham, N.H., and her husband, Louis Friedman; sisters, Martha Spill of Old Orchard Beach, Maine, and Manya Manzi of Methuen; and eight grandchildren.

He was the widower of Beatrice D. (Schlafman) Fleet, who died in 1993.

Services were held Friday at Temple Emanu-El. Burial was in Children of Israel Cemetery in Haverhill.

Arrangements were by Farmer & Sons Funeral Home in Haverhill.

Memorial contributions may be made to Temple Emanu-El or Solomon Schechter Day School, both care of Temple Emanu-El, 514 Main St., Haverhill.

John C. McClement Teacher, administrator, swimming coach at PA

John Claiborne McClement, 73, of Andover died Wednesday, March 29.

Mr. McClement was born in New York City. He graduated from Westminster School in Simsbury, Conn., Yale University with a bachelor of arts degree, and the University of Pittsburgh with an M.Ed. degree. He did postgraduate work at Harvard University.

Mr. McClement enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1942 and served in the European Theater of Operations with Company F-309th Infantry, 78th Division from 1943 to 1946.

After his discharge, he taught mathematics at Kiskiminetas Springs School in Saltsburg, Pa. He was an instructor of mathematics under the Cecil F. Bancroft Foundation at Phillips Academy from 1952 to 1986. He was also director of the summer session, scheduling officer and director of financial aid. He coached the boys varsity swimming team for many years and

after the merger with Abbot Academy, he coached the girls varsity swimming team and girls varsity crew.

Mr. McClement was a member of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, The New England Preparatory School Swimming Association and A2PMT (Association of Advanced Placement Mathematics Teachers).

Members of his family include his wife, Mary-Elise (Waddington) McClement of Andover; daughter, Nancy (McClement) Waage of Glen Head, N.Y.; sons, Arthur Morgan McClement of Bloomington, Ind., and John Hall McClement of Telluride, Colo.; sister, Patricia (McClement) Falla of Seabrook Island, S.C.; and five grandchildren.

A private graveside service was held at Kensico Cemetery in Valhalla, N.Y.

Arrangements were by Dewhirst and Conte Funeral Home in North Andover.

Memorial contributions can be made to the John C. McClement Fund, Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass. 01810.

Josephine R. Grillo Brother lives here

Josephine R. Grillo, 78, of Fort Meyers, Fla., died Thursday, April 6.

She had lived in Lawrence before moving to Florida 16 years ago.

Members of her family include her sons, Charles Grillo of Fort Myers, Fla., and Philip Grillo of Methuen; daughters, Virginia

Ferrara of Haverhill, Frances Wahl of North Fort Myers, Fla., and JoAnne Stevenson of Linwood, N.J.; brothers, Vito Frezzette of Andover and Alfred Frezzette of Montana; sister, Sandra Coco of Salisbury; 20 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

She was the widow of Charles A. Grillo, who died in 1983.

Services were held in Florida.

Arrangements were by Phil Kiser Funeral Home of Fort Myers, Fla.

Alice F. Miner Attended St. Augustine's

Alice F. (Fernandez) Miner, 52, of Salem, N.H., died Friday, April 7, at Saints Memorial Hospital in Lowell.

Mrs. Miner was born in Houston, Texas.

She had served in the Marine Corps.

She attended St. Augustine Church.

Members of her family include her husband, James W. Miner of Salem, N.H.; sons, Mark Miner of Reno, Nev., and Michael Miner of Salem, N.H.; daughter, Monnie Miner of Lawrence; sisters, Josephine Broger of California and Carriena Segundo and Mary Guzman, both of Texas; brother, Raymond Ruiz of Texas; one granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

A Mass was celebrated Monday in St. Augustine Church. Burial was in St. Augustine Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home.



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Don P. Scott

Resident for 40 years; was founder of Council on Aging

Don P. Scott, 91, of Lafayette, La., died Saturday, April 8, at Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center.

Mr. Scott was a native of West Ossipee, N.H., and a former resident of Andover for 40 years before he moved to Lafayette six years ago.

He received a bachelor of science degree in liberal arts from the University of New Hampshire in 1925.

He had been employed by Raytheon Inc. for 11 years when he retired. He was formerly employed by American Woolen Co. for 40 years.

Mr. Scott was a member of the New England Square Dance Association and founder of the Rockateers at Raytheon. He was formerly president of Merrimack Valley Elder Council and a founder of Andover Council on Aging.

Members of his family include daughters; Mary Harrington of Watertown, Conn., Connie Bugbee of Holliston, Judy Fallon of Brookline, Margaret Mera of Dalton, Kathleen Scott of Methuen and Carol Whelan of Lafayette, La.; sister, Winifred Gerrish of Sandown, N.H.; 20 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

He was the widower of Cornelia Doonan Scott, who died Dec. 28, 1994.

Funeral services were held Monday at Martin and Castille Funeral Home in Lafayette, La.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Foundation, 70 East Lake St., Chicago, Ill. 60601, or to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Louisiana Chapter, 3601 N. I-10 Service Road, West Metairie, La. 70002.

Virginia D. Crane

Owned Dufton Construction

Virginia (Antell) Dufton Crane, 78, of 7 Argyle St., died Sunday, April 9, at Prescott House.

Mrs. Crane was born and raised in Haverhill. She graduated from

Haverhill High School in 1934 and attended McIntosh Business School in Haverhill.

She was a switchboard operator at several companies in Boston until she moved to Andover.

She was a volunteer with the American Red Cross during World War II.

Mrs. Crane was a 45-year member of Christ Church. She was past president of the Lawrence Women's Club, a member of Andover High School Band Parents' Association and an honorary member of Shawheen Village Women's Club.

She and her late husband, George F. Dufton, owned Dufton Construction Co. in Andover. She was the bookkeeper and accountant.

Members of her family include her husband, Daniel P. Crane of Andover; daughters, Veryl Dufton Anderson of North Andover and Nancy Dufton Gross of Gadsden, Ala.; stepdaughters, Annette Dufton-Dagg of Falls Church, Va., Mary Crane Fahey of Fitchburg and Catherine Crane Wallace of Westford; stepsons, Daniel P. Crane Jr. of Salisbury and Peter Crane of Haverhill; 16 grandchildren and stepgrandchildren; one niece and one nephew.

Services were held Wednesday at Christ Church. Burial was in West Parish Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home in North Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mass. Foundation for Children, 18 Claremont Ave., Arlington, Mass. 02174, or to the charity of one's choice.

Aina Jansons Allen

Accomplished ballerina, had ballet academy here

Aina Jansons Allen, 74, of Andover died Monday, April 10, at her home.

Mrs. Allen was born in Riga, Latvia. She began taking ballet lessons when she was 6.

She joined the ballet company of the Latvian National Opera House at 17 as a soloist.



Aina J. Allen
1953 photo

Shortly after, she became a prima ballerina, the youngest in the company's history.

Her favorite role was Odette/Odile in *Swan Lake*.

Her family said that during World War II, when Latvia was occupied in rapid succession by the Germans, then the Russians, Mrs. Allen took great pride in the fact that her dancing could move the German officers to tears.

She and her immediate family were some of the last to escape Latvia in 1944 while many of her extended family were shot or deported.

She made her way across Europe, dancing with the USO, and ended up in Berlin in the British zone.

She obtained passage to England as a displaced person and worked as a domestic in a London hospital for 11 months.

She auditioned for the Sadlers Wells Ballet, now the Royal Ballet. The director, Dame de Valois, offered her a contract, but government regulations would not allow a displaced person to join a government-subsidized company. Instead she was offered a box seat at the theater where she could watch the ballet.

Before the Latvian consulate could work something out with the British government to allow her to dance, she was invited to Palma de Mallorca, Spain, by family and friends and moved there in 1947.

She taught ballet in private schools and her own ballet school and toured, giving solo performances.

She knew six languages and also taught at the Berlitz School in Palma where she met her husband, an American musician who had signed up for Russian lessons.

They moved to the United States and settled in Ohio, her husband's home state.

She and her family moved to Andover in 1963 and she opened her ballet academy.

She had many health problems and major surgeries over the years. She suffered two broken hips from severe osteoporosis in 1980 and closed her ballet studio.

Although a semi-invalid, she continued to do modified ballet daily until her death.

Members of her family include her husband, John Allen, of Andover; daughter, Aina Maria Allen of Jamaica Plain; and cousins in New York State and Latvia.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, April 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Burke Funeral Home on Main Street.

A Mass will be celebrated today, Thursday, at 10 a.m. at St. Augustine Church. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Nathan Greenstein

Member of Congregation Tifereth

Nathan Greenstein, 79, of Lawrence died Saturday, April 8, at home.

Mr. Greenstein was born and raised in Haverhill. He had lived in Lawrence since 1946.

He was a graduate of Bentley College and was an accountant before he retired.

Mr. Greenstein served in the Army in Europe during World War II.

He was a member of Lawrence Post No. 40, Jewish War Veterans, Congregation Tifereth Israel of Andover and Congregation Anshah Shulim of Lawrence.

Members of his family include his wife, Lillian "Libby" (Kay) Greenstein of

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by Garry A. Burke

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QUOTE: "The forty years of life gives us the text; the next thirty supply the commentary."
Arthur Schopenhauer

OBITUARIES

Nathan Greenstein

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Lawrence; daughters, Judith Greenstein, Loeb Greenstein and Ronnee A. Greenstein; sister, Charlotte Bacon; brother, Max Greenstein; and four grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday at Congregation Ansha Shulim in Lawrence. Interment was at the Jewish War Veterans Cemetery in Lawrence.

Arrangements were by Goldman-Fisher Funeral Chapel of Malden.

A memorial period will be observed through Thursday evening at his late home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Joseph Granetz Memorial Fund, care of Sherman, 4 Tudor Ave., Lawrence, Mass. 01841, or to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 1 Union St., Andover, Mass. 01810.

Sadie Mellian

Calling hours are today

Sadie Millian, 87, formerly of 9 Kensington St., died Monday, April 10, at Wingate of Andover.

Born in Nashua, N.H., she was a life-

long member of the Armenian Red Cross.

Members of her family include her son and daughter-in-law, Harry and Janice Mellian of North Hampton, N.H.; daughters, Elizabeth Mellian of Andover and Katherin Baker of North Andover; sister, Agnes Hovagimian of Nashua, N.H.; and two granddaughters. She was the widow of Avedis Mellian.

Calling hours are from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight, Thursday, at the Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St.

A Mass will be celebrated tomorrow, Friday, at 10 a.m. in St. Gregory Church, North Andover. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Rieta B. Newton

Son lives in Andover

Rieta B. (Sawtell) Newton, 93, died Wednesday, April 5, at Quabbin Valley Convalescent Center in Athol.

Mrs. Newton was born in New Salem and graduated from New Salem Academy in 1920. She attended the Bay Path Institute in Springfield.

Mrs. Newton worked for Chaplan and Chaplan Real Estate Co. and later for Chicopee National Bank, both of Springfield.

She was a member of the New Salem

Grange and active with the Cub Scouts of Gardner.

She had lived in Westminster and was a member of the First Congregational Church of Westminster and was a past president of the Friendly Alliance, now known as the Women's Fellowship. She was also a member of the Friendship Club, Swift River Valley Historical Society and past member of Westminster Women's Club.

Members of her family include her sons, Wayne Newton of Andover, Avery Newton and Merle Newton, both of Gardner, and Lyle Newton of Ashburnham; daughter, Thelma Neuvonen of Ashburnham; 18 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren.

She was the widow of Fay H. Newton, who died in 1978.

Services were held Monday at Smith Funeral Home in Gardner. Burial was in Center Cemetery in New Salem.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Congregational Church, 138 Main St., Westminster, Mass. 01473.

Harold Batcheller

Attended Christ Church

Harold B. Batcheller, 70, of 40 Colonial Drive, died Tuesday, April 11, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Born in Edgartown, he was an Army veteran of World War II.

He attended Christ Church.

Members of his family include his wife, M. Elaine Batcheller of Andover; sisters-in-law, Barbara Marcoux of Andover and Sally MacLellan of North

Andover; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Services will be held Tuesday, April 18, at 11 a.m. at Christ Church. Cremation will take place at Linwood Crematory, Haverhill.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Church, 25 Central St., Andover, Mass. 01810, or to a charity of one's choice.

James Peirce Jr.

Founded the Lanam Club

James A. Peirce Jr., 70, of Dover, N.H., and Nantucket, died Saturday, April 9, at his home in Dover.

Born in Lexington, he was a graduate of Needham High School and Brown University. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Navy in the Pacific.

Mr. Peirce owned Ford automobile dealerships for 40 years, including Peirce Ford in Tewksbury and Rochester, N.H.

He was the founder and director of the Lanam Club, the Ford Dealers Alliance, the New England Ford Dealers Co-op and NEFCO Life Insurance Co.

Mr. Peirce was the former director of the Boston Ford Dealer Advertising Association and was a Ford Motor Co. distinguished achievement award dealer.

Members of his family include his wife, Meredith "Sue" Peirce of Dover,

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Passover: A message of hope

By Rabbi Dr. Robert S. Goldstein
Temple Emanuel

Jews in the Merrimack Valley and around the world will begin the week-long celebration of Passover at sundown tomorrow, Friday, April 14. Passover is a home-centered observance with seders, special festival meals, held on the first two evenings of the holiday. Families and friends gather around the table to retell the ancient epic of God's redemption of the Israelites from the embittered slavery of Pharaoh's Egypt to the ultimate freedom and hope of the Promised Land.

Because of the Israelite's hasty departure from Egypt, there was no time for that day's bread to rise. Instead, they ate matzah, a flat cracker-like food, made from flour and water without any leavening agents. Today, Jews abstain from bread during the week of Passover and eat matzah instead to commemorate the exodus from Egypt. Other special foods include horseradish, eggs in salt water and a special mixture of nuts, cinnamon, apples and wine called charoset, a tasty mixture used to represent the mortar with which the enslaved Jews built Pharaoh's cities.

More than anything, Passover is a

celebration of freedom. Passover reminds us that we must secure our own freedom as well as work for the freedom of those, here and abroad, who are not yet free.

Americans know about freedom. Our nation has always stood for freedom. Those who came before us and those of our own generation have been quick to risk their lives, some have even sacrificed their lives, to preserve our liberty.

Freedom is not an end, it is not an absolute, as much as it is a process. Being free means being able to engage in the debate; it is the give and take among different groups, the expression of different points of view. It means being able to stand up for one's beliefs, no matter how unpopular they may be.

Passover bids us to tell our children the story of our people's journey from slavery to freedom. Judaism is not unique. Every great tradition encourages its adherents to impart their collective history to the next generation. It is not so much for the sake of memory, as much as it is to teach our children the process. They must know what their ancestors did, both in ancient times as well as more recently, so they will be inspired to do what they must do.

UU Congregation to celebrate Passover Seder, Easter

The Easter Sunday sermon theme on April 16 at 10:30 a.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover, 6 Locke St., will be, "Who Do You Say That I Am?"

This is the question Jesus asked in the midst of his Galilean ministry as he was to decide to go to Jerusalem. Why would he leave his native Galilee to storm the temple in word and deed? What is the significance of his last

week there at the Passover and the events that followed?

An Easter breakfast will be served by newcomers in the congregation from 9 to 10 a.m.

The U.U. Congregation will celebrate the Passover Seder on Saturday at 6 p.m. in the Meeting Room. The two festivals are a celebration of spiritual freedom and social justice in the context of religious community.

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SCHOOLTALK

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Patrick and Daniel Murphy play tin whistle, flute and the Irish drum (bodhran), and their sister, Grainne Murphy, plays Celtic fiddle. Their program will include such melodies as *Gravel Walk*, *Blackbirds and Thrushes*, *Patrick's Reel*, *Monaghan Jig*, *Far from Home*, *Murphy's Hornpipe*, *Jenny's Welcome to Charlie*, and *Music in the Glen*.

The Murphy children formed their traditional Irish music group two years ago, naming themselves the Celtic Kids. They have performed in folk-music festivals and competitions throughout New England, including last month at the Faneuil Hall Rotunda noon concert series, at public schools in Merrimack Valley and on the North Shore, and

at the Meridian Hotel in Boston. They appeared on St. Patrick's Day at the V.F.W. Club in Cambridge for Congressman Joe Kennedy, D-Boston, and on March 24 at the Boott Mills Special Events Center in Lowell, where they formally introduced their first CD recording, entitled *Celtic Kids*.

The Murphy children are four-time North American champions on their respective instruments in traditional Irish music performance, qualifying them for participation in the world competition Fleadh Cheoil na hEireann, held yearly in Listowel, County Kerry, Ireland.

For information, call the PA Music Department at (508) 749-4263. This concert is free and the public is invited.

Academics and fine arts spring enrichment courses at Sanborn School will

begin the week after school vacation. There are still openings in the following:

Young Authors (ages 6-8), Nature's Classroom (ages 5-8), Study Skills - The Transition, and Math Mania (grades 4 and 5), Musical Theater Workshop (ages 9-12), Young Artists (ages 9-12).

For more information, call DCS at 470-3800, or coordinator Elly Seavey at 475-3319.

The Department of Community Services will participate in the exclusive Boston engagement of *Pocahontas*, Disney's 33rd full-length animated feature, at the Wang Center Thursday, June 22. The film "combines historical fact with popular folklore and legend." The filmmakers have constructed a romanticized tale of the famous Native American heroine and her encounters with British soldier Captain John Smith. Rear orchestra seats

are available. Tickets are on sale through Friday, April 14. The bus will leave the rear of Doherty Middle School at 6:30 p.m. and return by 11. Register at DCS in town offices on Bartlet Street, or call 470-3800, Ext. 280.

Kevin Broderick of St. Augustine School will be among the 100 state students competing in the Geography Bee finals at Clark University in Worcester tomorrow, Friday, April 17.

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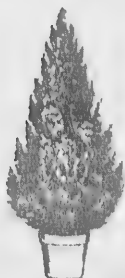


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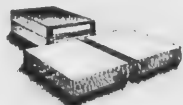
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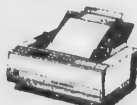
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APRIL TOWN MEETING

School system to cut \$188k from its budget

By Neil Fater

Andover students may benefit more than anyone from this mild winter – and not just because they'll get out of school June 21.

It's because so little sanding and plowing was needed this year that school, town and finance officials were able to agree to spend approximately \$216,000 of the left-over snow money on school-related operating costs.

As a result of this decision, officials forged an eleventh hour agreement on a \$26,752,600 school budget for next year, and narrowly avoided a potentially ugly Town Meeting debate Monday.

The snow money will pay for approximately \$101,000 in school capital improvement projects, \$26,000 in Medicare reimbursement, and \$89,000 in one-time heating costs related to the school building project. These figures are considered separately from the school budget.

School Committee members say they and town officials also agreed to talk about how tax money is divided between the town and the schools, particularly in the shared-cost areas such as maintenance.

"That was part of the overall compromise, that we just can't go on like this," said Lloyd Willey, committee secretary. "What are we

going to do about getting more effective maintenance service for the schools?"

The \$26.75 million school budget figure is between those budgets recommended by the town manager and the School Committee. It will require the committee to pare approximately \$188,500 from its recommended budget.

Nearly \$100,000 of this will come in the form of salary reductions that Don Robb, Finance Committee chairman, said were targeted because they are recurring costs.

Dick Neal, interim superintendent of schools, will recommend what positions to cut at the School Committee's April 25 meeting.

The cutbacks will also trim:

- \$50,000 from an equipment account, meaning officials will purchase new furniture, maps and other aides for newly-constructed classrooms only;
- \$25,000 in new textbooks for Andover High School students; and
- \$13,500 from the business office, delaying an upgrade for the data-processing department.

Town Meeting approved a total budget of \$65,885,333 for Andover's next fiscal year.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Naomi Gardner, left, of 5 Alden Road, and John Prochilo, of 23 Fossen Way, representing Northeast Rehabilitation Hospital in Salem, N.H., donated \$1,500 to cover first-year costs for the proposed Andover Commission on Disabilities during Town Meeting Monday night. Voters later approved establishing the commission, which will work to address the needs of citizens with disabilities.

Town votes to keep industrial zoning at Den Rock, Osgood St.

By Joan Brown

Voters decided to take the risk, defeating a bid to rezone the 71-acre Champy property near Den Rock Park from industrial to residential use.

Tuesday night's decision will leave the lot open to possible industrial development if a buyer is found for the property, according to lawyers for property owner Rose Champy.

Voters also denied a bid to rezone 2.2 acres of land on Osgood Street – and bordering Raytheon – from industrial to residential.

Champy rezoning defeated

Believing that the land was best suited as residential property, planners supported the failed proposal, which would have allowed the change from industrial usage. The rezoning, Article 59 on the warrant, would have made the property compatible with surrounding neighborhood and minimized the impacts associated with land development, according to Mike Miller, Planning Board chairman.

"We feel very strongly that the property should be rezoned back to residential," he said during Town Meeting.

Neighbors argued vehemently on both sides of the issue, but when the dust settled, the rezoning was defeated by a resounding 110-264 vote.

"That land has been zoned industrially for 35 years," said Brendan Dugan, of 12 Stirling

St., adding that no zoning changes or industrial use ever occurred. "We should not make a hasty decision to sail the future of this town down the river."

Others argued that by leaving the property zoned for industrial use, the town would be taking a chance on possible future industrial development.

"I'm willing to take the gamble and vote no and I live on Stirling Street," said Deborah Pokos, of 12 Stirling St.

Lawyers for Ms. Champy said Wednesday morning after the decision that they'd already been contacted by several industries about the properties.

"As of this morning there were two of them," said Richard Asoian, of Asoian, Tully & Gilman. Because of Ms. Champy's financial instability, he believes something may happen quickly.

"She is really under the gun, or she'll lose the property," he said.

Options for the land now include sale to an industrial developer, sale to a conservation group, or taking of the property by the town for back taxes, according to Steve Colyer, town planning director.

The property could be aggressively marketed by representatives for Ms. Champy, something not done before, he said. A third party, possibly the Conservation Commission or Andover Village Improvement Soci-

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In the photo at left, Selectman Gerald Silverman awards a plaque to former Selectman Charles Wesson, who lost in the recent election. Calling him "my partner," Mr. Silverman recognized Mr. Wesson's many years of service to Andover.

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APRIL TOWN MEETING

Youth center loses

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provide the seniors with a bargaining chip in their discussions with the School Committee, which must approve the use of any Doherty Middle School land.

While seniors immediately were happy with their Town Meeting outcome, Youth Council members were crushed by the defeat of the Rec Park plan Monday. However, by Tuesday they had dried their tears and were talking of bringing the same plan back to a Special Town Meeting before next fall.

Supporters say one of the key elements of the current plan is the pledge by the SHED and Kid's Club before- and after-school program to pay for the bulk of the youth building's operating expenses, assuming SHED is selected as the plan's partner. Because of the Town Meeting defeat, "The fear now is that the ACCEPT fundraising group and the SHED partnership is in jeopardy," said Bill Fahey, youth services coordinator.

This fear exists because there won't be space next year for the SHED and Kid's Club elementary program at Shawsheen School. The SHED program can follow a temporary plan for one year, but will soon have to set a long-range plan, said Sydney Bialo, SHED administrator.

Yet, according to Ms. Bialo, SHED is "not going to just pull out without seeing what the future is."

"We have other projects under consideration," she said. "It may be a timing thing. We'd really like to have it work with them (the Youth Council) if we can. We're in desperate need for space, though."

The Youth Council will need to act fast, and Mr. Fahey said officials already are checking to find the earliest date they can set a Special Town Meeting. Larry Larsen, selectman, said they must wait at least 45 days, but emphasized it is his intention that "the town is going to be in the youth business."

Mr. Fahey said the failure of the youth center article was not due to problems with the Rec Park plan itself, but with the presentation of the plan. He said the council should focus on groups such as the approximately 90 High School seniors who could have voted at Town Meeting. The youth center article failed to reach the necessary two-thirds majority by 63 votes.

"I think we need to target our advertising more toward the benefit (given to) the middle schools and the High School. Inside the schools we really have to do a lot of marketing and just get the people behind it," said David Charland, Youth Council president.

Supporters also may need to get town officials behind the project. More officials voted against the youth center than supported it, including Finance Committee members, a majority of the School Committee, the interim superintendent of schools, and Selectman Barry Finegold, who spoke against the article.

Most cited planning as the reason they didn't support the article. Don Robb, Finance Committee chairman, who also spoke against the article on behalf of his committee, said there should have been more meetings of the Youth Council and abutters and various town boards.

"This is something that I think the selectmen and town manager need to advise on. When people feel all those steps haven't been done, they get very uncomfortable with the project," Mr. Robb said after Monday's session. "It doesn't serve any purpose to pump people up without having them prepared for Town Meeting."

The youth center vote was 431-310. A supposedly unanimous hand vote was taken afterward advising the town committees to pursue creating a youth center with due diligence.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Youth Services Coordinator Bill Fahey, right, comforts Youth Council member Christine Anderson after the first youth center article lost Monday night. Council member Brian Major is at left, and that's Joe Gleason, Greater Lawrence Technical School Committee member, on Ms. Anderson's left.



Don Robb: "I think something tragic has happened here tonight..."



Bob Zollner: "I would like to have the town bring a recreation center into being quickly."



Ruby Easton, guidance counselor at Andover High School, said she has worked with the youth of Andover since 1971 and, "I have watched three attempts" to build youth centers. Speaking in favor of building a youth center, she said, "I have watched many of our own youth go home to empty houses."



David Jamison of 59 Dascumb Road said he favors a youth center, but he had one problem with the one on the warrant: its location.

\$384k approved for fields

By Neil Fater

Although they don't know where the new fields will be located, residents at Town Meeting approved the use of \$384,000 to build two new soccer fields and one softball/Little League field.

Selectmen and School Committee members will have 90 days to hold meetings and determine whether the fields should be located at the Essex gravel pit off Woburn Street, behind South Elementary, near Sanborn Elementary or on the town-owned property on

Cross Street.

Article 26, dealing with this subject, was amended on Town Meeting floor. The Planning Board recommended against the amended article because it had not seen sufficient plans.

"Actually, I don't believe there was any data that was submitted at all," said Paul Salafia, Planning Board member.

Youth sports league leaders say Andover's fields are the worst in the area because of

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Seniors get go-ahead

By Don Staruk

Town Meeting voters Tuesday night gave seniors the go-ahead to negotiate with the owner of the town offices building, where the current Senior Center is located, for the purpose of expanding the center in that location.

Even though voters turned down a second proposal, which would have allowed seniors to negotiate with the School Committee for use of a small piece of adjacent land under its control, proponents of the two articles were pleased with the result, according to Bill Ryan, vice-chairman of the Council on Aging.

"We were thrilled with both votes to tell you the truth," Mr. Ryan said. "The first one gives us the authority to build

'We were thrilled with both votes to tell you the truth. The first one gives us the authority to build on non-school controlled property.'

**Bill Ryan,
Council on Aging**

Committee for use of that land. Failure of that article only means the plan will have to be reconfigured so that it fits on the land that is not under the control of the School Committee, according to Mr. Ryan.

In 1980, under a deal worked out by Ken Mahony, former town manager, Andover Associates Limited Partnership bought the building that now houses the town offices, Senior Center and school administration offices. The building was then leased to the town and put under the control of selectmen. Approval of the first proposal, Article 28, allows the seniors to now negotiate with Andover Associates and selectmen for use of some of the rest of the



Photo by Joan Brown

The first night of Town Meeting, the Commission on Disabilities came up for discussion. But the handicapped residents who were pushing it anticipated it would hit the Town Meeting floor Tuesday, not Monday. So Tuesday, they showed up to say thank-you for supporting the handicapped in Andover. Mike Warshawsky of 18 Paulonette Circle discussed the benefits of having a Commission on Disability. George Harris, town warden, is at left.

building and adjacent property.

"We can expand outward as long as

we don't encroach on their (School Committee-controlled) land," Mr. Ryan said. "The second article was only about a couple thousand feet of land."

He said the seniors expansion could also go up to the second and third floors of the building, into some of the 20,000 square feet of office space currently used by the school administration.

Mr. Ryan would not say whether seniors would use this new authority as a bargaining chip in negotiating for use of a second piece of land, off Chestnut Court and adjacent to the Ted Boudreau softball field, to build a completely separate Senior Center.

"The only thing we've been authorized to do is to expand within the selectmen-controlled property," Mr. Ryan said.

Representatives of the seniors' building committee, Mr. Ryan, the project architect and Buzz Stapczynski, town manager, will meet some time within the next few weeks to decide the next steps, Mr. Ryan said.

"We intend to move this along fairly rapidly," he said.

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on non-school controlled property."

Seniors want to expand the Senior Center so they can expand its services. A small portion of the land seniors wanted to build on, roughly 15-20 percent of it adjacent to Memorial Auditorium, is controlled by the School Committee. Article 29 would have allowed seniors to negotiate with the School

\$384,000 on playing fields

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overuse, and have made an offer to take care of field maintenance themselves.

However, some Town Meeting speakers said residents would send a poor message to the youth and seniors of Andover by approving Article 26, 438-181, while shooting down land transfers for a youth complex and a senior center because of a perceived lack of planning.

Jerry Silverman, selectman, tried to steer people in support of both the youth center and the playing fields.

"The term used very often is the term NIMBY, not in my back yard," said Mr. Silverman. "I hope the people in this community don't feel that way."

"It's not, not in my back yard, it's not out of my back pocket anymore," said Mark Anderson, Shawsheen Road.

Mr. Anderson asked why the new



Some people have asked that the wooded area at South Elementary School not be cleared for playing fields. They said the trees in the photo at left are not just any trees, but lovely 100-year-old trees.

Photo by Frances Wheeler of Hillcrest Road

fields were not included in last year's \$40.5 million school building project.

Buzz Stapczynski, town manager, said the state only allows fields necessary for students' physical education to be included in such projects.

Vote keeps industrial zoning at Den Rock, Osgood St.

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ety, might also be interested in purchasing the property.

The property currently has \$200,460 outstanding in town real-estate taxes, dating back to 1988, according to Connie Grant, assistant town treasurer. This leaves the possible but not preferred option of the town filing action to take the property for taxes.

Town ownership has many drawbacks, particularly in terms of policing

the site and paying for upkeep, said Mr. Colyer.

A second rezoning proposal involving abutting land on Fleming Street, Article 60 on the warrant, was withdrawn by lawyers for the property owner, Andover Mills.

Dalton rezoning defeated

In a 112-140 decision, voters defeated a proposal by owner Susan Dalton, chairwoman of the School Committee, to rezone the rear portion of her 6.4-

acre property off Osgood Street from industrial to residential usage.

Already approved by the planners last year was her proposal to subdivide the land to provide four lots. Ms. Dalton was hoping to further subdivide the land, for a total of six lots, by changing the zoning on the property.

Planners did not support the rezoning, determining that many lots in town abutting existing business had similar dual zonings.

Raytheon also did not support the proposal, wanting to protect its own property rights and prevent complaints that would come from homes built so close to the facility, according to Steve Marley, 22 Gavin Circle.

Ms. Dalton filed a lawsuit last February against the the Board of Appeals, after the board denied a variance that would allow her to build houses in the industrially-zoned area.

EDITORIALS

Unanswered questions

Like the many people who won't go on the record but have called the *Townsmen*, and like the writers of the two letters that appear on this and the next page, we can't sit still any longer. Residents have the right to answers from the School Committee to the following questions:

- Why is West Middle School Principal Sam Campbell leaving? If he has been forced out, and we believe he has, then it was Acting Superintendent Richard Neal who did the forcing, unless someone violated the Ed Reform Act, which says superintendents and not School Committees hire and fire school principals. Why is such a popular principal leaving? No answer.

- Why did the search firm that the School Committee so enthusiastically favored hiring back out of working with the School Committee on finding the new superintendent? No answer.

- Why do some people say the search committee ranked the superintendent candidates and others say they did not? No answer.

- Why was Acting Superintendent Neal not treated by the search committee the same way the other candidates were treated? Not wanting to second-guess a person already appointed by the School Committee is not an acceptable answer.

- Will the School Committee ask search committee members for their opinions on the superintendent candidates? We assume the School Committee respects and values the opinions of the search committee. The former appointed the latter. We say the more input from residents into the hiring process the better. That includes parents. How will their opinions of the candidates be included in the hiring decision?

- Why did the School Committee disregard the parents who wished to talk about redistricting, and who asked that the decision be postponed until they could participate? No answer.

- Why do parents feel disenfranchised as far as having their say with the School Committee about school matters?

And finally, we would like to ask members of the School Committee: Who do you represent, yourselves or those who elected you? Andover residents want answers. Andover residents deserve answers.

LETTERS

Staff speaks up for Sam Campbell

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The recent resignation of Dr. Samuel Campbell has caught us by surprise and is a shock to the faculty at West. Teachers and staff have found it difficult to respond to his resignation because we were not prepared for such an announcement, nor did we expect it. It is with dismay that we must accept the loss of our principal for "personal and professional reasons."

During his four years at West Middle School, we have found Dr. Campbell to be a person who treats everyone with dignity whether they are staff, students, parents or members of the community. His office is always open to the concerned parent, the troubled student, the teacher with a problem to be solved, or the custodian with a personal or building concern.

He spends endless hours in conference with people either in person or on the phone. He has made West a school where the needs of the community are of utmost importance.

Dr. Campbell's role as an agent for change has led directly to improvements in the physical plant at West, transforming it from a run-down, aged facility to a cleaner, brighter building with a more modern look and feel. He eagerly welcomed parents into the process and openly solicited their input into what they wanted see in their school. He listened and counseled, and he has been the major factor in West's improving look.

Through Dr. Campbell's commitment to middle-school philosophy, West maintains a solid team model and employs the consensus model of decision making involving the staff in determining the focus of curricular study. He has strongly encouraged the adviser-advisee program, an essential component of recognized middle school continuums. He insists on scheduling himself in as an adviser, meeting with sixth-grade students during two periods each week.

He promotes the development of interdisciplinary units at the team level, and has celebrated with the staff and student body at the realization of these high-interest learning activities. These prove to be among the most worthwhile events of the school year, according to student surveys. Dr. Campbell has been an educational leader first, and then the manager of the building.

In his role as chairman of the West Middle School Council, Dr. Campbell has provided leadership for our school in improving communications, computer technology, complementary curricula and the science program. Under his guidance, and in response to the expressed need of the science department, science curriculum improve-

ment has been given a top priority, and changes are being made ahead of the system curriculum renewal plan. The computer technology program has always been a strong interest for Dr. Campbell, and no one rejoices more in the recent addition of the Mac Lab in Room 102.

Above all, he has been a gentleman. Dr. Campbell consistently displays a caring and comforting demeanor, which makes everyone feel welcome at West. He has treated students in a fair and friendly manner. He has been professional in his dealings with staff over the easy issues and the not-so-easy.

It is with great regret that we must lose our principal. We appreciate him for his leadership, his professionalism, his courtesy, his friendship, and his hard work on the behalf of the Andover West Middle School. We will miss Dr. Samuel Campbell and remember him fondly.

James J. Redmond, Richard P. Loschi, Joseph Hagan, Bennie M. Ebersole, Joan Zenofsky, Virginia L. Rossini, Arthur R. Stansfield, Ken Kwajewski, Judith Palmer, Fred H. Baker, Jeffrey Znamierowski, Tanya Adams, Sharyn Taitz, Donna Perowski, Judith Haszard, Susan D. Rogers, Walter Rossini, Vern Friese, Jane Snow, Charles T. Donovan, Clare Ciampa, Moe Fer-

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Can you picture it? The Golden Goldens

By Perry Colmore

I've got it! I have found a replacement for Andover High School's Golden Warrior logo: Golden Goldens, or Golden Retrievers. The latter makes more sense, but the former sounds better.

Look at it this way. We are looking for a symbol that doesn't offend any segment of the population. The warrior symbol, understandably, has alienated some Native Americans, a fact about which we have written. Recently, we asked you to write and suggest alternative logos to represent Andover High School and since we haven't yet heard many suggestions, I decided to think a little about it myself.

Think about it: There have got to be more Golden Retrievers per square block in Andover than any

other animal. They're sitting in the front seat of cars, waiting for their drivers to come back from the grocery store. They're walking ahead of their owners in downtown Andover, their master or mistress carrying a pooper-scooper while they carry on the fine tradition of Golden Andover.

The characteristics of the Golden Retriever breed make it perfect to represent Andover. Goldens are loyal, friendly, give unconditional love, toilet train easily, run well, eat whatever is put in front of them, only occasionally



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

This is Morgan, 2½, of Forbes Lane. She would gladly pose as Andover High School's mascot.

chase cats and then usually in a friendly manner, look beautiful even when they are not brushed and bathed on a daily basis, easily follow simple commands, and, perhaps most important, make people smile and turn to mush on contact. In addition, all ages of people love them.

Take Morgan, pictured at left. The only thing she loves more than love and people is food. And even when she is in the presence of food, Morgan sits patiently, stares either at the person eating or at the food, until the

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Staff speaks for Principal Campbell

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Parents speak out on Sam Campbell, also

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As concerned parents of West Middle School students, we would like to express our strong dismay over the questionable circumstances leading up to the resignation of Sam Campbell.

Dr. Campbell continues to steadfastly refuse to comment about his reasons for resigning. Many unanswered questions remain. Have members of the School Committee been less than forthright with an explanation as to their involvement in Dr. Campbell's resignation? Have these same members been driven by their own personal agenda? Did Dick Neal make a decision that he may not have otherwise chosen?

We have been ignored and misled in our attempts to address our concerns to the School Committee and to the superintendent. Open and honest discussion with the community will only help to regain the trust that has been lost.

We feel strongly that Sam Campbell espouses every aspect of the middle-school philosophy and we are greatly disappointed by his resignation. We expect that his successor will hold this

same philosophy in order to lead West Middle School into the future as a true middle school and not as a junior high. Anything less will not be acceptable.

Kevin and Pam Barry, Maureen Brennan, Debra Brown, Virginia Canavan, Janet Daniels, Linda Davis, Karen Detterman, Carol Filbin, Jim and Hannah Gentilcore, Bill and Martha Gibson, Peter and Nancy Groff, Jamie Hale, Ken and Nora Hibbard, Wendy Houghton, David Konjoian, Joann Maloney, Thomas and Debbie McLaughlin, Mark and Patty Millotis, Richard and Liz Moguea, Judith A. Monarca, Debbie Morrison, Debby Moskal, John and Pat Pearson, Bill and Willa Rapp, Carolyn Recupero, Richard and Lynn Robidoux, Carol Schrader, Jackie Spinazola, Mary Stearns, and Jane Sullivan

Annoyed by Andover High logo controversy

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I'd like to express my annoyance with the current controversy at the High School over using a Native American logo for sports teams. It sounds to me like so much politically correct hokum brought about by someone with a chip on their shoulder (Ms. Dunning) who is trying to get attention for herself and her pet cause.

I don't think Native Americans have gotten a raw deal with respect to American sports logos. You're not putting anyone down calling a sports team the Chiefs, Braves or Warriors. Chiefs are respected leaders, and most young men, unless they are fond of sewing and doing Judy Garland imitations, want to be warriors and braves. (However, I think the use of Redskins, since it needlessly singles out a racial characteristic, is inappropriate.)

To use analogies, as an Italian American, I wouldn't mind having the Andover sports teams called the Padrones or Roman Legionaries or even Mussolini's Retreating Misfits if

people thought such a name could create a winning spirit. However, I would not want the team called the Mafiosi or Sicilian Bandits. But we haven't named Andover's teams the Scalpers or the Sneaky Horse Thieves (that is, we haven't given the Andover teams an expressly derisive name), have we?

It is only with respect to the alleged disrespectful use of objects said by Ms. Dunning to have a religious significance for her people that she offers any argument worthy of attention. If we are going to name our sports teams Warriors after Native Americans, then we should indeed be somewhat more sensitive about the religious beliefs of these people. But we have to be reasonable about the matter; the citing of fine points and technicalities of the Native American culture shouldn't be cause for a wholesale, self-recriminating, politically correct cultural housecleaning.

Thus, since Native Americans did indeed war dance, Andover High students should be able to mimic them. Since Native Americans did in fact make frequent use of feathers on war bonnets (unless I'm mistaken), Andover's students should be able to use bird feathers at sporting events without any sense of guilt. The analogy I'd use here is that if White Europeans - in the manner of Native Americans with feathers and war bonnets - had used the chalice or crucifix in connection with some clothing used for war, one could not complain if the non-white, non-Christian high school boosters of, say, the Seoul, Korea, Crusaders, not knowing that some obscure tribe used a particular kind of chalice solely in a religious context, cheered on their team using such Christian religious artifacts.

Regarding this matter, I'd like to urge the *Townsmen* and the people in the school system to avoid what's beginning to look like an upsurge in politically correct toadyism in Andover. It is true that we should all try to be tolerant and sensitive toward our fellow humans. But in keeping with the spirit of individuality and outspokenness that once prevailed in Massachusetts, let's keep things reasonable; let's not [omit the logo] because one woman with her own particular opinion about things doesn't like the way Andover's teams are named.

Al Marotta
91 Argilla Road

Youth Council: Say goodbye to this amount of energy

Editor, *Townsmen*:

My name is Donny Pattullo and I am a member of the Andover Youth Council. The Youth Council has feverishly worked for the past two years on a Field of Dreams or Youth Center project. We have spent countless hours and attended a myriad of meetings con-

cerning funds, location, accessibility, interest, and the most prominent topic, necessity.

There is a definite need for a youth center in Andover. However, there is no need for one that is built by adults for kids. The youth must be a part of a project like this.

There are 16 young people from this community who had the energy and desire to see this project through until the last nail was hammered. They researched every angle of this project and came up with a plan: the use of 2 percent of the total land at Rec Park, cost estimates to the last piece of wood and box of nails, staffing, yearly operational income, and every other detail.

As Youth Council President Dave Charland said at Town Meeting, "There will never be a group with this much energy and talent in the future of Andover." He is absolutely right.

Projects like this have failed in the past because of a lack of youth involvement and annual funding. We had both and much more.

In regards to Monday night's Town Meeting, I found it very disheartening and disappointing when Article 21 was voted down by the people of Andover.

It was mentioned by a few people that more planning and a better consideration be taken on the location. Then it was said that we come back next year after revising and taking necessary considerations. Well, my fellow Andover citizens, next year is too late. Our proposed partner and \$100,000 per year in income to run the facility could very well be lost because SHED and Kids Club need to find a permanent residence by September.

The Youth Center would have been that residence for 200 to 300 youngsters requiring a positive direction in life.

Even more detrimental than that is the fact that co-chairs of the Youth Council, Dave Charland and Christine Anderson, will be heading off to college next year. They, and the other departing seniors, will be taking with them the energy and compassion that anyone embarking on such a project should have. That is not saying that it will all be lost from the Youth Council, for that is certainly not the truth.

The lack of support for the Andover Community Youth Center at this time was a confidence-breaker and a disappointment. Opportunities for a community like this one don't come around very often. It is a shame that we were not able to take advantage of this one.

Donny Pattullo
Andover Youth Council

Your letters

The *Townsmen* welcomes your letters, which should be short, no longer than two typed pages, double spaced. Thank-you letters will not be printed. Send letters to 33 Chestnut St., Andover MA 01810, or fax them to 508-470-2819, or send them by e-mail: America Online: Townsmen; or via the internet: Townsmen@aol.com.

The Golden Golden . . .

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eater shares a bit with her. If you asked Morgan to run the length of the football field and run through a hoop at the season's beginning, I feel sure she would do it. And if she wouldn't, all it would take would be a 20- or 30-minute training session complete with dog cookies to make her behave.

I have known some very special Golden Retrievers. My last one, Sophie, would blow bubbles in the ocean or even in a swimming pool. I kid you not. She would put her nose right in the water, up to her eyes and blow air out of her nose, creating bubbles. That's a lot more appealing and creative at a pre-game rally than a war dance.

People who favor the Warrior logo say they represent strength and courage, both characteristics Golden Retrievers have. Golden Retrievers have spirit and play well with others. What could be a better symbol for our community?

I predict people from other communities would purchase Andover sweat-shirts with the Golden Golden logo on it. Who could resist? Golden Retrievers sell greeting cards. In addition, the Golden Retriever symbol would allow Andover to keep its colors: gold and blue.

The other idea I came up with for Andover's logo is the Volvo, although I don't think it's as good as the Golden Retriever. What do you think? Is it a go?

POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, April 5 - At 10:02 p.m., Walter H. Pitts, 29, of 199 Greenwood Road, was arrested at his home and charged on a Lawrence District Court warrant for intimidation of a witness. Mr. Pitts was arraigned a day earlier in Salem Superior Court on a charge of arson, where he learned that a witness had testified against him to a grand jury, according to Andover Detective Donald Patullo. After court, Mr. Pitts allegedly went to where the witness lived and made statements that he wanted the witness to recant his or her testimony. Mr. Pitts is being held at Middleton Jail on \$10,000 cash bail. A "danger hearing" was scheduled for today, Thursday, to determine if Mr. Pitts poses a danger to the community and should be held until his trial, which may be in June or July. The arson charge is for the fire last year that damaged the Sea Train Restaurant and Mr. Pitts' own R&R Coffee House, which were located in the old railroad depot on School Street.

Friday, March 7 - At 11:21 a.m., Norman R. Demeule Jr., 17, of Methuen, was arrested on Union Street and charged with operating after revocation of his license, operating unregistered and uninspected, and attaching illegal plates.

Saturday, April 8 - At 12:19 a.m., Daisy Figueroa, 39, of 600 Bulfinch Drive, was arrested on Bulfinch Drive and charged with operating after suspension of her license, operating unregistered and uninspected, and attaching illegal plates.

Sunday, April 9 - At 2:38 a.m., Hector L. Ortiz, 44, of Methuen, was arrested on Route 495 northbound and charged with operating under the influence (alcohol), failure to stay in marked lanes,

operating negligently so as to endanger and speeding.

At 5:52 p.m., Ralph S. Richards Jr., 34, of 13 Kendall St. Lawrence, was arrested and charged with assault and battery after the report of a domestic dispute with a female on Crescent Drive.

Monday, April 10 - At 1:14 a.m., Joseph T. Bailey, 22, of 33 Essex St., was arrested and charged on a warrant for possession of a class-D substance (marijuana) after the car he was driving struck a tree on River Road.

INCIDENTS

Tuesday, April 4 - At 2:22 a.m., Officer Tony Vallente assisted state police with a pursuit of a stolen car on River Road. A state police cruiser crashed into a utility pole and an officer was injured. Officer Vallente arrested two suspects and turned them over to state police, who are also handling the accident.

At 3:50 p.m., an animal complaint was reported on Rocky Hill Road.

Wednesday, April 5 - At 2:40 a.m., police pursued a stolen car from North Main Street into Lawrence, then north on Interstate 93 until the car was lost near exit 2 in New Hampshire.

At 2:50 a.m., damage to a cruiser was reported.

At 8:54 a.m., an animal complaint was reported on Dale Street.

At 1:06 p.m., police helped the fire department gain access to a Lovejoy Road home where an elderly resident required help with a flooding basement.

At 3:12 p.m., a woman requested assistance with a woodchuck in her basement. The responding officer could not find the animal and animal

control officer Wayne Nader was notified.

At 3:46 p.m., a dog was reported whimpering in an apartment on

Main Street. Officer Nader was notified.

Thursday, April 6 - At 1:25 a.m.,

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POLICE LOG

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police assisted ambulance attendants break in a door to get into an apartment on Balmal Street where an elderly woman had fallen.

Friday, April 7 - At 4:17 p.m., a loose dog was reported on Lowell Street.

Saturday, April 8 - At 10:38 a.m., a confused deer was reported in the lot at Brickstone Square. The deer jumped the fence and ran onto Route 28 where it was struck by a car. It then ran off and couldn't be found.

Sunday, April 9 - At 1:25 p.m., a woman reported a large injured bird in the middle of Bartlet Street. The officer reported the bird was "all set."

Monday, April 10 - At 8:51 a.m., an animal complaint was reported on Main Street.

At 5:42 p.m., a Chandler Road woman reported that a dog had been caught in a trap set by the animal control officer for that purpose, but that it was the wrong dog. An officer responding released the trapped animal and reset the trap.

ACCIDENTS

Tuesday, April 4 - At 6:01 p.m., a two-car

accident with injuries was reported near 310 Lowell St.

At 6:20 p.m., an accident was reported in front of the Main Street Mobil, 14 N. Main St.

Wednesday, April 5 - At 11:13 a.m., a two-car accident was reported in Shawsheen Square.

Friday, April 7 - At 7:26 p.m., a Phillips Academy student and an Andover man were injured in a two-car accident near 150 Main St. The Jaws-of-Life hydraulic tool was used to remove at least one of the two from his vehicle. Kevin B. Mendonca, 18, of 850 Johnson St., North Andover, a student at P.A., was taken by Med-Flight from Lawrence to Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston where he was admitted with head injuries. He was released this week. Michael A. Moriarty, 25, of 76 Haverhill St., was taken to Lawrence General Hospital and admitted, but he was also discharged this week.

According to police, Mr. Moriarty was traveling northbound on Main Street when Mr. Mendonca pulled out of Morton Street either without stopping, or after stopping and without yielding to the oncoming traffic. Tuesday, police issued a citation to Mr. Mendonca for a stop-sign violation.

Saturday, April 8 - At 12:20 p.m., an accident was reported near 50 Elm St.

Sunday, April 9 - At 12:31 a.m., a roll-

over accident was reported near 4

Woburn St. The driver was cited for failing to keep right and failure to slow at an intersection.

At 1:04 a.m., a hit-and-run was reported near 10 River Road.

At 11:29 a.m., a pregnant woman was taken to Lawrence General Hospital for observation after an accident near 100 River Road, at Interstate 93.

Monday, April 10 - At 2:13 p.m., a minor accident was reported near 99 Shawsheen Road.

At 2:37 p.m., an ambulance received minor damage after it was struck by another vehicle while on a call.

At 3 p.m., an accident was reported in the lot at town offices on Bartlet Street.

BREAKS

Tuesday, April 4 - At 4:59 p.m., a car break was reported at the Andover Marriott on Old River Road.

Wednesday, April 5 - At 7:10 a.m., approximately 1,500 golf balls, valued at 40 cents each, were reported taken in a break into a shed at the driving range at Andover Country Club.

Friday, April 7 - At 12:34 p.m., a theft was reported from Eastern Burner Supply Inc., 19 Lupine Road.

THEFTS

Thursday, April 6 - At 3:05 p.m., a theft from a car was reported on Argyle Street.

Monday, April 10 - At 5:25 p.m., a pocket-book was reported taken during the day at Vicor Corp., 10 Federal St.

VANDALISM

Tuesday, April 4 - At 3:16 p.m., a Ratlesnake Hill Road resident reported someone engraved the paint of his or her car while it was in the lot at Andover High School.

Thursday, April 6 - At 8:51 p.m., someone rang the doorbell and egged the Main Street house belonging to Tim Thomas, Andover High School principal.

Friday, April 7 - At 7:48 a.m., a car windshield was smashed on Chester Street.

Saturday, April 8 - At 6:59 p.m., a Spring Grove Road resident reported the occupant of a silver Toyota 4-runner was doing damage to landscaped property on West Hollow Road.

CAR THEFTS

Tuesday, April 4 - At 11:19 a.m., a 1993 Ford Taurus was taken on Longwood Drive. (The Taurus was recovered at 5:33 p.m. in North Andover.)

Friday, April 7 - At 2:19 a.m., a car stolen from Andover was recovered in Lawrence and two persons were arrested.

Monday, April 10 - At 10:08 a.m., a car recovered after a chase by Andover police and arrest of two persons on April 1 was identified as having been taken from Lowell.

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ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Nancy Meirs, writer and poet, reading from her works, at Jane Cooke Runyon Alumni room, Hemingway Library, Bradford College, 320 S. Main St., Bradford, 8 p.m.; Perry Glasser 372-7161 Ext. 362.

Creative Living, featuring Gerry Morrissey, deputy commissioner of the Department of Mental Retardation, at the Lanam Club, 260 Main St.; call for times and ticket information, 470-3165 or 475-6470.

How To Be A Good Parent, featuring Dr. Irving Newman speaking on parenting issues, at Clark Auditorium, Lowell General Hospital, Lowell, 7-8:30 p.m., \$5; 937-6425.

Fight Night, sponsored by the Exchange Club of Lawrence, featuring 12 fights showcasing area amateur boxers, at Andover Marriott, Grand Ballroom, 123 Old River Road, 5:30 p.m. cocktails, 6:30 p.m. prime-rib dinner, 8 p.m. fights, \$75; 686-6115.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

Kittie Mercer, exhibition of photographs, at Carl Youngman Gallery, Governor Dummer Academy, 1 Elm St., Byfield, opening reception 6-8 p.m., free; 465-1763.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

Jane Goodall, wildlife researcher, speaking at Phillips



"Arcadia Revisited: A Photo Essay of the Niagara River," by John Pfahl, will be exhibited through April 27 in the Bentley Library Gallery on Northern Essex Community College's Haverhill campus. The gallery is open to the public Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. For more information, call Arthur Signorelli at 374-3731.

Exeter Academy, Assembly Hall, 20 Main St., Exeter, N.H., 8 p.m., free and open to the public; (603) 772-6549.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

North Andover Historical Soci-

ety, slide lecture on the newly-established Tavern Acres Historic District, at Old Center Hall, 3 Great Pond Road, 7:30 p.m., open to the public, \$3 non-members; 686-4035.

Keltic Kids in Concert, featuring

students Dónal Conor Murphy and Padraig Oisín Murphy of Pike School, and Grainne Murphy of Phillips Academy, program includes traditional Irish airs, jigs, reels, songs and dances, at Graves Hall, Timken Room.

Phillips Academy, 7-8 p.m., free; 749-4263.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

Into the Woods, musical performed by The Off-Broadway Players, at Mahoney Hall auditorium, University of Massachusetts Lowell, Broadway Street, Lowell, 8 p.m., \$7; 934-5024.

Celia Thaxter: The Poet and the Woman, performance by Donna Marion Titus of the 19th-century Maine poet, sponsored by Long Life Learning lecture series, at Northern



Donna Marion Titus

Essex Community College, Bentley Library, Elliot Way, Haverhill, 2 p.m., program is designed for seniors but all are welcome to attend, free; 374-3688.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

Bradford Dance Company, performing at Kemper Theater, Bradford College, 320 S. Main St., Bradford, 8 p.m., \$5 adults, \$4 students; 374-0076.

Into the Woods, see entry under Thursday, April 20 for details.

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the guide, they need all the help they can get to gather information.

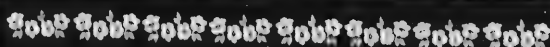
Anyone who enjoys walking, with an eye for detail, can be a researcher for the project. People versed in plant lore can also help make the guide informative by sharing interesting details, such as colonial or medicinal uses of plants.

Local birders could help by reporting sightings.

Of particular interest is whether bobolinks nest in the meadow.

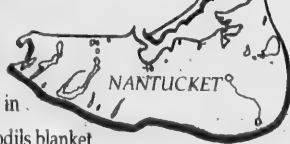
Ms. Tentarelli, the committee chairwoman, said, "We hope that everyone will be able to learn something by walking the trail and using the guide."

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SATURDAY, APRIL 22

Greg Brown, singer and songwriter, performing at the New Moon Coffeehouse, Universalist Unitarian Church, 16 Ashland St., Haverhill, ticket sales begin at 6:30 p.m., show begins at 8 p.m., \$10; 373-9259.

Bradford Dance Company, see entry under Friday, April 21 for details.

Into the Woods, see entry under Thursday, April 20 for details.

Jeremiah Healy, mystery author discussing his new book, *Rescue*, at Waldenbooks, Main Street, 10 a.m.-noon; 475-8877.

X.J. Kennedy, poetry editor, reading and signing copies of *Talking Like The Rain*, at Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St., 3-4 p.m.; 475-0143.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23
Concert, featuring The Treble Chorus of New England, benefit for the Greater Boston Food Bank, at Merrimack College Chapel, Route 114, North Andover, 4 p.m., \$10, \$8 seniors and students; 664-4705.

Jazz ensemble, featuring faculty members of Phillips Academy, at Timken Room, Graves Hall, Phillips Academy, 3 p.m., free and open to the public; 749-4263.

Andovers Artists Guild, meeting and luncheon featuring speaker Larry Powers on framing artwork, at North Parish Church, North Andover, 1:30 p.m., open to the public; for reservations call Karen Fitzgerald 686-4422.

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Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, Main, and

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Kittie Mercer, exhibition of photographs, at Carl Youngman Gallery, Governor Dummer Academy, 1 Elm St., Byfield, Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., April 14 through May 8; also

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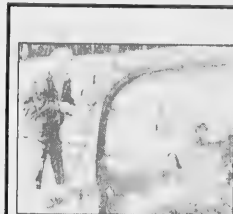
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Phila Slade, member of Andovers Artists Guild, exhibition of

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SPORTS

Track teams plan strong runs for championships

By Rick Harrison

With only a handful of key graduates gone, the 1995 Andover High girls varsity outdoor track team should make a strong run at equaling last spring's spectacular season. The Lady Warriors won almost everything in sight, finishing undefeated in Merrimack Valley Conference dual meets (6-0) en route to the league Large School title and placing first at the Wilmington Invitational, State Class B Relays, Boosters Invitational, MVC Championship Meet and State Class B Meet for the second year.

The Andover boys, who also return the majority of their athletes, have a little more room for improvement as they placed third in the MVC last year, finished 5-3 overall in dual meets, won the Boosters Invitational, placed second in the MVC Championship Meet, second at the State Class B Relays and fifth at the State Class B Meet.

Head Coach Dick Collins launches his 40th season, the last 36 with the Andover boys, and begins his 18th year with the AHS girls squad. Returning as assistant coaches this spring are Art Iworsley (long jump, triple jump), Wayne Arsenault (pole vault), Peter Comeau (sprints, hurdles) and Tim McCarron (throwers).

The Golden Warriors held their annual practice meet with Tewksbury to help sort out the top competitors from the field of 155 candidates (80 boys, 75 girls).

Andover girls

The long list of talented returners is led by junior distance standout Susan Ashlock, senior Captain Jamie Barron and senior Captain Amy Levesque. All three are com-

ing off outstanding indoor track seasons.

Ashlock, who holds almost every AHS record from the 800 meter run to the two-mile both indoors and outdoors, last spring placed second in the two-mile at the Class B Meet, fifth at the All-State Meet, and seventh in the New England Championships at Brown University where she ran a school-record 11:07.6. She won the State Class B indoor mile run, finished fourth in the All-State Meet mile, second in the 1,600 meters at the New England, third in the Eastern Championships two-mile, and second in the unseeded heat (15th overall) at the National Championships in Syracuse, N.Y.

Barron and Levesque are among the premier sprinters in the state at 100 and 200 meters, Levesque finishing third in the 200 at the All-State Meet last June (25.6 clocking). Barron is also the defending All-State long jump champion outdoors, soaring 17'10" at that meet last June, and she finished fifth at the New England Championships. Barron, Levesque and junior Randi Spiegel formed 75 percent of the 4x110 sprint relay team that placed third at the All-State Meet (49.9) last spring.

Junior Laura Burkle is expected to help in the sprints, while senior Amanda Verreault and sophomore Kolleen Cronin are the middle distance standouts.

Juniors Erin Collins and Abby Clarke will join Ashlock on the long distance crew, Clarke coming back after missing the indoor season because of a hip injury. The top hurdlers are freshman Barbara Contos, who placed third at the State Class B Indoor Championship Meet in the 60-yard hurdles,

freshman Courtney Barron (Jarnie's sister) and senior veteran Julie Rozopoulos.

The leading high jumpers are senior Carolyn Vallee, sophomore Stephanie Brown, freshman Sarah Muller and Verreault.

Missy Famiglietti was ninth at the New England in the long jump, and fourth at the Easterns in the triple jump with a new indoor school record leap of 34'-9 1/4". She also uncorked a personal-best 35'2" jump at the All-State Meet outdoors last spring.

Senior Captain Eveline Yang and junior Allyson Ahern will compete in both the long and triple jump, while senior Amy Baker is also a standout triple jumper.

Leading Andover in the throwing events is senior Kim Daher and sophomore Sue Tully (shot put), Tully and junior Katie Jurdi (discus), and senior Leah Mason, senior Beth Cummins, Daher and Jurdi (javelin).

Andover boys

In the middle distances (400, 800 meters) the locals have senior Captains Matt Ely, Kevin Shepard and Jon Hall along with seniors Chris Fromme and Greg Foltz.

Ely is fresh off a strong indoor season where he placed fourth in the State Class B 1000, third in the All-State Meet 1000 in a near school-record 2:19.4, and seventh at the New England Meet. Shepard ran the anchor leg and Fromme the second leg on the 4x880 relay team that was second in Class B, seventh at the All-State Meet and eighth at the New England Meet indoors. Hall is also Andover's top high jumper. Indoors he finished third in Class B with a 6'4" jump (ties personal best), seventh at the All-State Meet and sixth at the New England.

Junior Charlie Russo heads the long distance corps that also includes senior Captain Mark Adams, senior Eskinder Graham, sophomore Todd Collins and sophomore Don Pattullo. Russo tied for fifth in the State Class B mile run indoors. Mark Adams was a member of last spring's aforementioned 4x800 relay squad and this winter's 4x880 team, while Graham improved dramatically during the indoor campaign to finish sixth in the Class B two-mile and run a personal-best 10:08.8 at the All-State Meet.

Senior Mike Marcinonis should be a force in the sprints, long jump and high jump when he gets healthy. Other top sprinters are junior Josh Hatch and Jeff Arsenault, while the leading hurdlers are senior Scott Savage, junior Mike Shaughnessy, sophomore Peter Ellis (110 highs) and juniors Eric DeMarco and Chris Richter (300 intermediates).

Hall, Ely, Ellis and Marcinonis provide depth in the high jump, while junior Adam Westaway and senior Scott Savage will do both the long and triple jump. Sophomore Tim Smith (long) and junior Chris Mann (triple) are other jumpers. Junior Dan Taylor cleared 11'6" in the pole vault during the practice meet against Tewksbury, and coach Collins anticipates a strong season from Taylor.

Leading the way in the throwing events will be senior Steve Muench, junior Andy Lynch and junior Chris Dunn (shot put), senior Barry Dubois and junior Rudy Morando (javelin), senior Mike Dalton, sophomore Craig Hartwell, sophomore Matt

Softball smashes North Andover in opener
Game halted in fifth because of mercy rule, 20-4

By Rick Harrison

A solid pitching performance by junior veteran Vanessa Blank, a strong all-around game by junior third baseman Elaine Licata, and some impressive speed on the bases sparked the Andover High varsity softball team to a resounding 20-4 season-opening romp over non-league neighbor North Andover last Friday at the West Middle School field.

The game was halted in the bottom of the fifth inning by the 15-run mercy rule.

Blank yielded only three hits in five innings, all singles and two of them bunts, while striking out seven and walking two. Only one of the four Scarlet Knight runs was earned.

Blank even performed a softball rarity by striking out four batters in the second inning, with the extra whiff needed after a NA player reached on a dropped third strike. Licata drove in four runs with a pair of hits, and speedsters Sue Cookson and Michelle Crispo gave the North Andover defense fits with their aggressive baserunning.

The Lady Warriors also beat North Andover in their opener last spring, by a much closer 7-6 score, and the 20 runs were the most in a game since Andover hammered Lowell 21-0 on May 3, 1993.

"Everybody on both sides had a bad case of the first-game jitters at the start," said Andover sixth-year coach Ken Pellerin, whose team last qualified for the Eastern Mass. Tournament in 1991. "But

our girls settled down nicely and began playing well after the third inning.

"Crispo and Cookson wreaked havoc on the bases with their speed, and for the most part we played well defensively behind Vanessa.

"We didn't hit as well as we expect to because the pitching was very slow. Our girls are used to gearing up for the flamethrowers in our league," said coach Pellerin. We should get a pretty good idea where we stand when we open the league season this week."

Andover, which plays in perhaps the strongest high school softball league in the state, was scheduled to begin its Merrimack Valley Conference season yesterday against two-time defending State Division II champion Wilmington.

This afternoon (3:30 p.m.) Andover hosts Lawrence High in a game re-scheduled from May 18 because of a prom conflict, and next Tuesday the locals host perennial Large School Division challenger Haverhill (2 p.m.).

Early deficit erased

Andover spotted North Andover a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning, and came back with a run of its own in the bottom half when senior Co-Captain Eileen Sweeney was hit by a pitch, stole second, took third on the first of sophomore Michelle Crispo's bunt singles, and scored on a wild pitch.

Trailing 3-1 in the second stanza, the Lady Warriors scored four runs to take

the lead for good. Cookson and junior Meghan Lynch drew back-to-back one-out walks, advanced on a wild pitch and crossed on Licata's sharp two-run single. Crispo was hit by a pitch, and a series of wild pitches and passed balls chased home Licata and Crispo to make it 5-3.

It was 5-4 when Andover exploded for eight runs in the bottom of the fourth, which opened with five straight walks to Sweeney, Crispo, freshman Kristi Keller, Blank (RBI) and freshman Julie Litzenberger (RBI). Cookson ripped a two-run single, Licata's fielder's choice grounder rescued a run, and Crispo notched an RBI on a safety squeeze bunt single. A seven-run fifth brought the game to its halt.

Blank singled, stole second, took third on Litzenberger's single and scored on a wild pitch. Cookson's safety squeeze bunt single plated Litzenberger, and Licata singled home Cookson after she had stolen second and third. Sweeney singled, with Licata scoring on a throwing error, and Andover loaded the bases on a walk to Crispo and a hit batsman (Keller).

Blank again walked to force home a run, and sophomore Jen Murnane ended the game with a pinch-hit two-run single to center field.

Licata, Cookson and Crispo finished with two hits each. Defensively, Litzenberger had six putouts at first base, Licata was rock-solid at third, and senior Co-Captain Aprille Canniff made several nice plays at catcher.

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AHS varsity baseball loses season opener to Big Blue

By Rick Harrison

Phillips Academy rallied for two runs in the bottom of the seventh and final inning to edge Andover High, 3-2, in the non-league baseball opener for both schools last weekend.

It marked the second consecutive spring since their rivalry was rekindled that the Big Blue edged the Golden Warriors by one run. But perhaps it's a good omen because Andover's 1994 campaign started with a 10-9 loss to PA and ended with the Eastern Mass. Division 1 North title and a berth in the state semifinals.

"We're going to be OK," said third-year head coach Ken Maglio. "We're a young team, with only four returning starters, and most of the kids were tentative against Phillips because this was their first varsity game."

"I was very happy with the pitching of (starter) Tom Clarke and (reliever) Cris Brown. They both threw well and had good control. We just didn't hit the ball. We weren't aggressive at the plate."

The lack of offense surprised Maglio

somewhat, because the Golden Warriors held their own in one of their final pre-season scrimmages against Pinkerton Academy and its heavily-recruited pitching phenomenon Jay Yennaco.

"We scored a couple runs and hung in there against him," said coach Maglio. "Our hitting will come around."

Chilled opener

Opening day was far from ideal for baseball, with overcast weather and temperatures hovering around 40 degrees.

The final pitching line on 6:7 senior righthander Tom Clarke was laudable, with six innings pitched, six hits allowed, three walks, four strikeouts and only two earned runs.

Brown, a 6'6" lefty, walked into a tough situation in the bottom of the seventh with the score tied (2-2), no one out and two Phillips runners aboard.

He fanned the first batter he faced and intentionally walked the next hitter to set up a possible inning-ending doubleplay.

He induced the necessary ground ball, but the winning run raced across when the

twin-killing was not made.

The Big Blue, with Andover residents Todd Harris (shortstop), Hugh Quattlebaum (second base) and PG Toby Guzowski (first base) making up 75 percent of the starting infield, inched ahead with a run in the bottom of the third.

The Golden Warriors retaliated with two tainted runs in the top of the fourth, grabbing a 2-1 lead without benefit of a hit.

Defending Merrimack Valley Conference batting champion Mike Maguire led off by walking on four pitches, and he promptly stole second. Tom Tanin's fly ball to left was dropped as two Phillips outfielders converged, with Maguire holding at third and Tanin cruising into second base.

Junior Dana McCann followed with a sacrifice fly to rescue Maguire, and Tanin sprinted home with the go-ahead run on freshman center fielder Jason Caverly's infield out.

Andover managed just two hits in the game, a single by senior designated hitter Nate Roberts and a two-out sixth-inning double by Caverly.

"We just couldn't get any threats going," said coach Maglio.

Tisbert sharp

Defensively the Warriors were led by sophomore shortstop Brian Tisbert who handled six chances flawlessly (two putouts, four assists).

Junior Mark Langone also made a couple nice plays at third base, senior Pete Daniels carried on the family tradition of excellence behind the plate, and Tanin filled in nicely at first base for injured Captain Tom Gardner.

Tanin, who usually plays second or short, was pressed into service when Gardner fell off a ladder while working in his loft at home and suffered a severely sprained ankle.

The injury came just three days prior to the opening game, but coach Maglio hoped to have Gardner back for next Monday's non-leaguer at East Boston (10 a.m.).

Either Brown or Clarke is expected to be the starting pitcher against the Jets.

The league opener is next Wednesday at Haverhill.

AHS varsity tennis squads aim for MVC and league laurels

By Rick Harrison

The numbers are staggering.

The AHS girls have won five consecutive Merrimack Valley Conference championships, eight league titles in the last nine years, 65 straight league matches, and they are an incredible 138-1 in their last 139 MVC matches and 150-9 in their last 159 including State Tournament play.

For the record, the last league loss was 3-2 to Lowell on May 21, 1990. The AHS boys have won two straight MVC titles and nine championships in the last 11 years. They are 155-10 in their last 165 league matches and 181-20 in their last 201 matches including the State Tournament.

Last spring Coach Tony Russo's Lady Warriors went 16-0 in the conference, including 13 shutout wins (5-0), and finished 18-1 overall after beating Newton South (3-2) and Winchester (4-1) in the tourney before being ousted by perennial state champ Concord-Carlisle (4-1) in the North Sectional final.

Coach Mike Wartman's Andover boys were 18-0 in the league, with 17 matches ending in 5-0 shutouts, and 19-2 overall including a non-league regular-season loss to powerhouse St. John's Prep, a 3-2 tournament win over Burlington and a 4-1 North Sectional semifinal loss to Newton South.

The boys have won the Eastern Mass. North Sectional title four times in the past decade, and battled to three consecutive State Division II title matches where they lost to Sharon each time.

Despite the fact both Andover squads graduated their No. 1 singles player, there is no reason to believe the 1995 teams won't repeat as MVC champs and move deep into the tournament once again.

Andover boys

This year's AHS squad has only two seniors who figure prominently.

Heading the list of 28 candidates are three veteran underclassmen.

Junior Captain Mike Stein will move up from No. 2 to No. 1 singles, junior Captain Kurt Dahlstrand is expected to fill the No. 2 singles slot, and junior Andy Ravens could take over at No. 3 singles or may remain in doubles.

Stein finished at 16-3 last year and was also 14-0 as a freshman while playing primarily No. 3 singles.

Stein, Dan Queen and Adam Monahan all advanced to the third round of the Eastern Mass. North Sectional Individual Singles Championships last May.

Dahlstrand was 1-0 in singles and 15-3 in doubles with Jon Iarrobino last spring, and 1-0 in singles and 10-0 in doubles as a freshman playing mostly with Adam Monahan.

Dahlstrand and Iarrobino also reached the Eastern Mass. North Sectional Tournament semifinals in doubles play last season.

Ravens completed his sophomore campaign 2-0 in singles and 12-3 with three different doubles partners. He and Will Hall moved to the third round of the Eastern Mass. North Sectional Tournament in doubles.

Returning lettermen expected to play mostly doubles this year are senior Scott Munroe (4-0 last year), juniors Mark Formichella (2-0 singles, 3-0 doubles), Jay Levine (1-0 singles, 5-0 doubles), Robbie Tharisayi (3-0 singles, 5-0 doubles) and sophomore Ross Fenton (5-0 doubles).

Elevated from the junior varsity team are senior Chris Ouellette, juniors Joel Elzweig, Jeff Isenberg, Mike Wellikoff and sophomore Dave Sullivan. Sullivan teamed with Fenton at second doubles in one varsity

match last year.

Also new to the varsity are juniors Scott Callanan and Gautam Guruparasad, sophomore Brian Yoon, and freshmen Dave Gutstein and Alan Hibino.

"We'll miss our two experienced singles and one doubles starter from last year, but I think we can fill those holes," said 12th-year coach Wartman, a guidance counselor at Doherty Middle School who also coaches boys junior varsity soccer at AHS.

"It's still a young team and the future looks bright. We have eight returning lettermen, and most of these kids played a lot in the off-season."

The Golden Warriors prepped with a scrimmage match against St. John's Prep earlier this week, the perennial state champs boasting two players from Andover (Peter Bernardin and Nick Raueo).

Girls tennis

This spring's turnout of 20 candidates included six freshmen and four returning starters.

The veteran frontliners are led by sophomore Heather Young, who inherits the No. 1 position from Georgian after going 12-0 in league play and 17-1 overall primarily at No. 2 singles as a freshman.

Senior captain and four-year veteran Jen Griffin is equally at home playing singles or doubles. She was 8-0 in MVC singles and 9-3 overall last season. She is 16-1 in singles and 4-0 in doubles lifetime at AHS.

Last spring's No. 1 doubles team of junior Andrea Marvin and senior Jackie LeMaitre returns. They were 9-0 in league play and 11-2 overall in 1994. LeMaitre is 24-3 in doubles during her AHS career, and also went 7-0 in singles as a freshman and sophomore. Marvin added a 5-2 record in singles and 4-0 mark in doubles (with Amy

Fenton) as a freshman.

Returning letterwinners are senior Captain Kelly Mitchell, juniors Meghan Pauley and Cindy Su, and sophomore Catherine Bakulski. Mitchell, 4-0 in singles and 3-3 in doubles last year, and Pauley (6-0 singles, 2-1 doubles) are vying for the No. 3 singles position.

Su is 2-0 in singles and 7-1 in doubles the past two years, while the vastly-improved Bakulski played one varsity doubles match last spring.

Junior Kristen Marsh, 2-1 in doubles last year, is also on the varsity along with freshman prospects Lauren Roda, Rebecca Parks, Sarah Tuman, Emily Wilner and Lisa Rogers.

"We've been fortunate to have many talented players over the years, especially in doubles which can make or break a team," said sixth-year coach Tony Russo.

The Lady Warriors were scheduled to scrimmage Reading, with Heather Young going against another top player in the state, the Rockets' Chris Cerratani.

Boys capture first five matches

The Andover High boys tennis team captured all five matches in

straight sets en route to a 5-0 victory over Wilmington in its Merrimack Valley Conference opener on Monday at the AHS courts.

Coach Mike Wartman's Golden Warriors dropped only seven games in the 10 sets. Junior Captain Mike Stein rolled to a 6-0, 6-0 victory over the Wildcats' Ryan Swasey at No. 1 singles.

Junior Captain Kurt Dahlstrand coasted past Tom Perreault 6-2, 6-1 at second singles, and sophomore Ross Fenton completed the domination of singles with a 6-1, 6-1 triumph over Pat Cahill.

The No. 1 doubles tandem of juniors Andy Ravens and Ravi Tharisayi chalked up a convincing 6-0, 6-2 victory over Keith McLaren and Tom Cassella.

Junior Mike Formichella and sophomore Dave Sullivan teamed at No. 2 doubles for a 6-0, 6-0 blitz of Wilmington's Mike Gargan and Koste Radosaulievic.

Andover hosted Haverhill yesterday, travels to Methuen tomorrow afternoon (3:30 p.m.).

They will duel intra-town rival Phillips Academy next Wednesday at the PA courts (1 p.m.).

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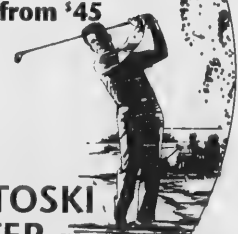
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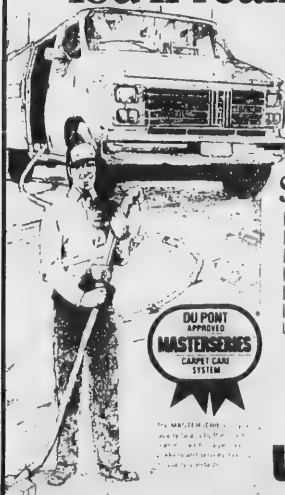
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OBITUARIES

James Peirce Jr.

(Continued from page 29)

N.H.; sons, Stephen W. Peirce of Stow, Douglas J. Peirce of Portsmouth, N.H., and Justin A. Peirce of Falmouth; a daughter, Susan Peirce Young of Northboro; four stepchildren; and 10 grandchildren.

Services were held yesterday, Wednesday, at South Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Nantucket Boys Club, Sparks Avenue, Nantucket, Mass. 02554, or to Strafford County Hospice, P.O. Box 339, Rollinsford, Mass. 03869.

Arrangements were by Remic & Gendron Funeral Home of Hampton, N.H.

Good Friday ecumenical service is tomorrow

The Andover Clergy Association and related congregations will hold an ecumenical worship service at noon tomorrow, Good Friday, at South Church, 41 Central St.

The service is built around the scripture readings of the passion story and includes hymns and prayers. Anthems will be sung by a choir representing choirs of the community and directed by Tamara Rozek, South Church director of music. Eunice Kim, West Parish Church organist, and Eleanor Richardson, organist of Andover Unitarian Congregation, will contribute musical offerings. The readings and prayers will be led by the clergy. Liturgical dancers from St. Augustine, West Parish and South Church will also contribute

Arlene Pickering Services are tomorrow

Arlene M. (Slingsby) Pickering, 85, of Lynn, died in a Lynn-area nursing home after a brief illness.

Born in Lynn, she was educated in Maine and had been a resident of Lynn for more than 60 years.

She was employed at Pickering Shirts Service for 10 years until her retirement.

She was a communicant of St. Joseph Church, Lynn. She was also an avid Red Sox fan, enjoyed bowling and was a member of several local craft clubs.

Members of her family include her son, James W. Pickering of Peabody; daughters, Patricia A. Haner of Andover and Helen D. Dorney of Lynn; a stepdaughter, Marguerite Jensen of Milton, Fla.; 10 grandchildren; sev-

eral great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was the wife of the late William C. Pickering.

A service will be held tomorrow, Friday, at 10 a.m. at the Cuffe-McGinn Funeral Home, 157 Maple St., Lynn. A service will follow at St. Joseph Church, Lynn, at 11 a.m. Burial will be in

Pine Grove Cemetery. A burial Mass will be celebrated at a date and time to be announced.

Calling hours are today, Thursday, from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, 101 First Ave., Waltham, Mass. 02154.

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NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by ANN MILES MCKILLOP of Andover in the County of Essex praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on May 8, 1995.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Thaddeus Buczek, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, the third day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five.

Julie Stiles Matuschak
Acting Register of Probate

April 13, 1995

TOWN OF ANDOVER



PLANNING BOARD
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 25, 1995, at 9:30 p.m., in the Third Floor conference room, Town

Office Building, Bartlet Street, on a petition by Phillips Academy for a Site Plan Special Permit under Section VI.Q.3.c. of the Andover Zoning Bylaw to renovate more than forty percent of the existing buildings known as Draper Hall and Abbot Hall located on Lot 1E of Assessor's Map 56 The petition is on file in the Planning Department and may be examined between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER
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TOWN OF ANDOVER



PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 25, 1995, at 9:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on a petition of 223 High Plain Road Realty Trust for a Special Permit to Remove/Re-grade Earth Materials associated with a proposed 3 lot definitive subdivision plan entitled "Woodman Ridge" on property off High Plain Road. The plan is on file in the Planning Department and may be viewed between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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TOWN OF ANDOVER



PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 25, 1995, at 7:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on a petition of Eisai Merrimack Valley Laboratories, Inc. for a Site Plan Special Permit to allow for the construction of a 92,000 square

foot Clinical Production and Development Facility (in two phases) along with associated parking areas on Lot 2, 100 Federal Street (Woodland Park) off River Road. The petition is on file in the Planning Department and may be seen between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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TOWN OF ANDOVER



PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 25, 1995, at 9:00 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on a 3 lot definitive subdivision plan entitled "Woodman Ridge" on property off High Plain Road owned by 223 High Plain Road Realty Trust. The plan is on file in the Planning Department and may be viewed between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, April 25, 1995, at 8:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on a petition of Dr. Charles F. McQuade for a Special Permit For a Change in Parking Space Requirements to allow for a dentist office at 10 Main Street (Barnard Building). The petition is on file in the Planning Department and may be examined between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of a POWER OF SALE contained in a certain mortgage given by Keith A. Williams to The Resource Financial Group, Inc. dated April 18, 1990, recorded in Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 3098 Page 110 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by assignment, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at public auction at 10:00 A.M. on April 25, 1995 on the mortgaged premises at 186 High Street, Andover, Massachusetts 01810, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

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A petition has been presented to said Court alleging that said CARL FINLEY is a mentally ill person, and praying that CARL FINLEY, JUNIOR of Andover in the County of Essex or some other suitable person, be appointed his guardian. If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fourth day of April 1995, the return day of this citation. Witness, Thaddeus Buczko, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of March, 1995.

Kim J. Wright
 Asst. Register

April 13, 1995

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT

Essex Division
 Docket No. 94P 0509-EI
NOTICE OF FIDUCIARY'S ACCOUNT

To all persons interested in the estate of CLINTON B. SEELEY late of 21 Sheridan Road, Andover, Ma, Essex County, 01810.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the first, second and final accounts of THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK and GAIL R. SEELEY as Executor (the fiduciary) of the will of said deceased have been presented to said Court for allowance.

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PROPERTY TRANSFERS

The following is a list of properties in Andover that sold from March 29-April 3.

1 Caroline Shannon bought **58-60 Morton St., Unit C**, for \$137,500 from Maura Keegan Furey. The mortgage is with Fleet Real Estate Funding Corp.

2 George P. Habib bought **North Main Street, Unit 12**, for \$74,900 from Rose O. Letourneau.

3 Christopher J. Paquette bought **50 Toppling Road, Lots 15, 17** for \$135,000 from Natarajan S. Palanisamy. The mortgage is with Assurance Mortgage Corp. of America.

4 Robert J. Petrilli bought **Seminole Circle, Lot 35**, for \$400,000 from Brian R.I. Wilson. The mortgage is with Assurance Mortgage Corp. of America.

5 Kevin F. Murphy bought **38 Washington Ave.** for \$223,000 from Debra D. Menich. The mortgage is with First Essex Bank, FSB.

6 Mark R. Heinbach bought **8 Highland Ave., Lots 2, 3, 4**, for \$172,380 from

Frederick P. Nothnagel. The mortgage is with Olde Towne Mortgage Co. Inc.

7 Stephen Kazanjian bought **Colonial Drive, Unit B1-5** for \$54,900 from Colonial Drive Corp. The mortgage is with Bay-Bank.

8 Thomas W. Boshart bought **159 Holt Road, 2 PCLS** for \$329,000 from C. Baker Clotworthy Jr. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

9 Marjorie D. Penttinen bought **Colonial Drive, Unit A4-5**, for \$67,500 from Colonial Drive Corp. The mortgage is with Stoneham Cooperative Bank.

10 Christian C. Huntress bought **17 Tewksbury St., Lot 35**, for \$144,000 from Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. The mortgage is with PHH US Mortgage Corp.

11 Wells Blueberry Inc. bought **25 Noel Road, Lot 9**, for \$97,500 from Hills-Mor Construction Co. Inc.

12 Deborah J. Douglass bought **25 Noel Road, Lot 9**, for \$260,000 from Wells

Blueberry Inc. The mortgage is with Light-house Mortgage Co., Ltd.

13 Lisa S. Hemphill bought **Colonial Drive, Unit A1-9**, for \$67,900 from Colonial Drive Corp. The mortgage is with BayBanks Mortgage Corp.

14 Brian A. Fitzpatrick bought **7 Fossen Way, Lot 5**, for \$450,000 from Harry S. Brown. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

15 William Joseph Tremblay bought **Colonial Drive, Unit 4**, for \$40,000 from Contemporary Realty Trust.

16 Thomas P. Cody bought **99 Chestnut St., PT Lot 7, Lot 8**, for \$210,000 from Dolan Trust. The mortgage is with Northmark Bank.

17 Cynthia A. Hobbs bought **Colonial Drive, Unit 60-11**, for \$60,900 from Colonial Drive Corp. The mortgage is with GMAC Mortgage Corp. of PA.

18 Edward A. Pettoruto bought **52 Princeton Ave.** for \$170,000 from William Brian McCarthy. The mortgage is

with Lawrence Savings Bank.

19 Thomas D. Shaw bought **55 Red Spring Road, Lot 1**, for \$140,000 from Edith M. Kloss. The mortgage is with Mortgage Master Inc.

20 Stephen P. Wood bought **221 Lowell St.** for \$250,000 from Lorraine D. Couture. The mortgage is with Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp.

21 Ergendino Perrone bought **Unit E2-6 Colonial Drive** for \$30,400 from Colonial Drive Corp.

22 Two Hundred Thirty Seven North Main Street #3 Realty Trust bought **Unit 3 Bldg. Bradford Hse** for \$75,000 from Amalendu Sanyal.

23 James M. Harrington bought **8-10 Chapman Ave., Lot 12**, for \$115,000 from Andover Finance Realty Trust. The mortgage is with Meridian Mortgage Corp.

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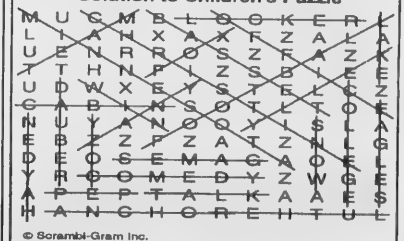
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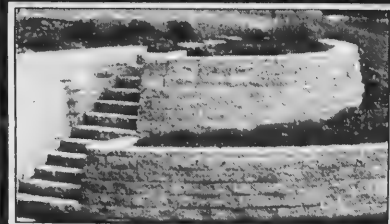
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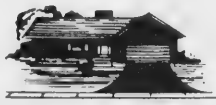
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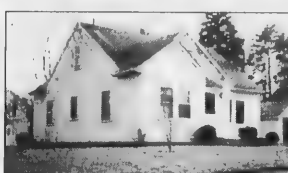
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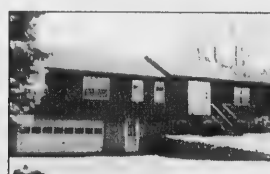
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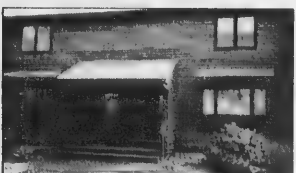
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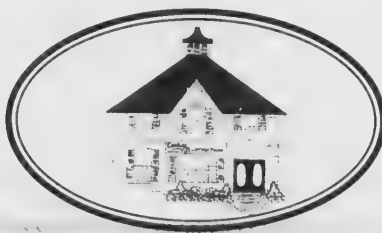


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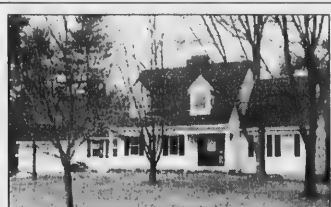
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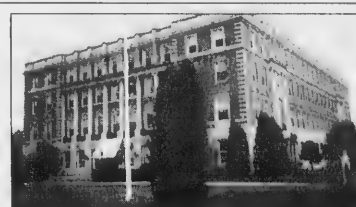
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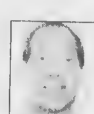
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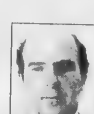
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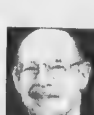
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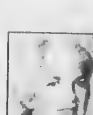
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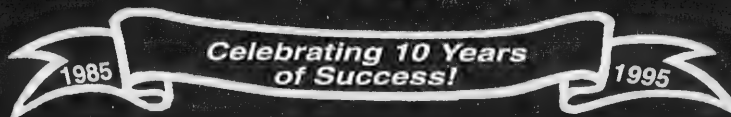


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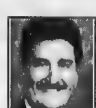
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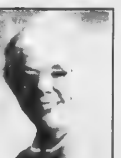
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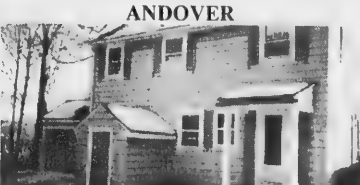
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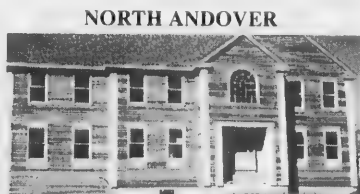
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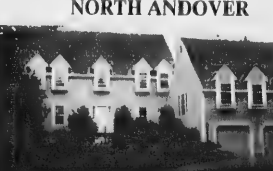
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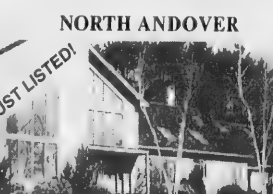
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APRIL TOWN MEETING

Fewer showed up
the second night

The second night of Town Meeting did not match the first night in attendance. Only 571 voters made it to Tuesday's meeting, falling far short of the 837 who came out Monday night.

A proposal to create a historic district in Ballardvale, and another to put some slack in the town's leash law for dogs, was on the agenda for the third night of Town Meeting, Wednesday, after the *Townsmen* went to press.

Residents turned down two rezoning proposals and a third was withdrawn. [See article, page 31.]

Holt Hill

A proposal to allow state police and a private contractor to build a new, larger tower and radio building on Holt Hill was withdrawn because Cellular One, the private contractor, withdrew its offer to pay for the work. The proposal may come back to a future town meeting if a new contractor comes forward with interest in the project, according to police Lt. Phillip Froburg.

Other articles

Other action included approval of:

- \$50,000 for the senior citizen/disabled home-owner tax voucher program;
- \$375,000 for improvements to Fish Brook fresh water pumping station;
- \$1 million for water treatment plant improvements;
- \$1.1 million for water distribution improvements;
- \$200,000 for storm drain improvements;
- \$500,000 for road construction;
- \$285,000 to buy a new pumper truck for the fire department;
- An amendment to the town bylaws that penalizes residents with home burglar alarms for repeated false alarms;
- Acceptance as a gift of a piece of property off Route 125;
- Acceptance in lieu of outstanding taxes a piece of land at 28 River Road to be conservation land.

Articles not approved included:

- A proposal to spend \$400,000 to construct sidewalks;
- \$20,000 to research, write and adopt a local wetlands bylaw.

End of the line . . .



Photo by Don Staruk

Richard Marino, left, owner and president of Corporate Access, and Wesley Grandmont Jr., vice president of C & L Construction Co. Inc., of Greenland, N.H., stand amid what is left of the canopy at the old train depot on School Street Tuesday. Most of the canopy will come down as part of the renovations Mr. Marino is doing to restore much of the building to its original condition, and to turn it into offices for his company. The building will be restored to its original brick and brownstone color and will have a new slate-colored roof. Mr. Marino hopes to open Aug. 1.

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Home and Improvement

April 13, 1995

Around the House

"The best maintenance is preventive maintenance," says nationally known Super Handyman Al Carrell. "Spring cleaning is a perfect way to spot termites and other invisible dangers, such as wind and water damage and foundation problems, that can result in repair nightmares and a decrease in the value of your home."

Termite damage, at a cost of more



than \$1.1 billion per year, tops the list of invisible dangers. A single 2" x 6" roof rafter can cost more than \$1,100 to repair, and most home insurance policies do not cover termite damage. Although you may not see termites crawling across your floors, thin sands could be devouring the wood in your walls and floors, weakening the structure of your house.

Termites swarm every spring but are often confused with flying ants. Since they eat wood from the inside out, damage can go unnoticed year after year.

Mr. Carrell offers these tips to help protect your home against costly termite damage:

- Remove wooden trellises from exterior wall.
- Trim tree limbs so they do not touch or hang over house.
- Clean gutters and outside drains of accumulated leaves.
- Ventilate crawl spaces through out the house to minimize moisture build-up.

• Have an experienced professional service such as Orkin Pest Control give your home a complete checkup. A trained professional will often spot initial signs of danger that you can't see.

• Remove wood, such as tree stumps or firewood from beneath and around the home.

• Exercise caution when building additions to the house or gardening, since you could destroy existing termite barriers.

Free brochure

A free brochure from Orkin Pest Control, "What You Should Know About Termites," is available by calling 1-800-563-HOUSE.

Spring is here and summer isn't far behind!

'Dog days' are now 'air-conditioning appreciation days'

Here are some facts about beating the heat that may keep you from getting hot under the collar.

• The ancient Romans noted that the brightest star in the night sky Sirius - kept appearing annually at the onset of hot, sultry weather.

Somehow Sirius - which stems from the Greek word for "scorching" became known as the Dog Star, and the weather it heralded was called "dog days."

• Today, we have an abundance of science to explain misnomers like the dog days. We now know that the

"aphelion" is an annual inevitability. Every July 3rd, the earth's northern hemisphere reaches its farthest point from the sun, approximately 94,510,000 miles. That point the aphelion ironically begins the hottest and stickiest days of the year.

• Today we also have some cool ways to beat the heat. In particular,

central air-conditioning equipment, which has become a necessity for modern life styles in many areas throughout the world. The dog days of summer (July 3 to August 15) have now become "air-conditioning appreciation days," according to the Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration

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Around The House

Minimize your home improvement costs

By John E. Graham, CPA

Asking home improvements can do more than improve the appearance or comfort of your home. According to the Massachusetts Society of CPAs, spending money on certain improvements now can offer you significant tax savings later on.

Repairs versus capital improvements

Tax law clearly differentiates between home repairs and "capital improvements" — the improvements that offer you tax advantages. Repairs keep or restore property to good working condition. Examples of repairs include repainting, fixing a broken window or repairing gutters. Capital improvements, on the other hand, increase the value of your property, lengthen its life or adapt it to a different use. Examples include remodeling a kitchen or bathroom, creating a master suite, adding a fireplace or putting aluminum siding on your home. Expenses incurred for capital improvements can be added to the basis of your residence, that is, the total amount

you paid for the property. When you sell your residence, the taxable gain is determined by subtracting your basis in the home from the selling price. The greater your basis, the lower your taxable profit.

Be sure to keep receipts for all your capital expenditures. This will keep you from overlooking expenses that can increase your basis and will enable you to substantiate your capital gain calculation should the IRS ever question it.

Adding to your home's value

Before making a home improvement, it's wise to consider whether you'll be able to recover the cost of the improvement when you sell your home. Certain features are more valued by home buyers than others and, consequently, are more likely to add to your home's market value. Today, you're likely to recover costs for expanding a master bedroom, adding an office or study or building a new bathroom. However, adding a greenhouse or installing a hand-laid brick wall to your front door is not likely to offer you the same payback when you

sell your home.

Also, don't undertake projects that elevate your property's value above the neighborhood norm. If the houses in your community generally sell for about \$100,000 and your home improvements would boost your home's value to \$150,000, chances are you won't recover your costs.

Financing your improvement

How you finance your improvement will affect its ultimate cost. It's wise to finance as much of the improvement as possible with cash, thereby avoiding hefty interest charges. If you can't come up with sufficient cash, consider taking out a home equity loan or borrowing against a home equity line of credit. The interest rate on such loans is usually less than that charged by banks for home improvement and other loans. What's more, except for certain high-income individuals who are subject to an overall reduction in itemized deductions, generally you can fully deduct interest paid on home equity loans. However, since you are using your home as collateral, be sure you borrow only an

amount that you are capable of repaying.

Avoid using your credit card to finance home improvements. Interest rates on major bank cards are usually high and can tack on thousands of dollars to the actual cost of the improvement.

Shopping for the best price

Before moving ahead with a major improvement, be sure to get price quotes from a few contractors. Have a budget in mind and ask the contractor to outline in writing the specific work that will be completed based on the budget you established. Ask the contractor to show you photographs of similar projects completed on similar budgets.

Finally, be sure to check contractors' references. CPAs recommend that you ask each reference if the job was completed on time and on budget. This will give you a good idea of whether your home improvement will be completed in a timely and cost-effective manner.

John E. Graham, CPA, is a member of the Massachusetts Society of Certified Public Accountants.

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Furnaces and filters

By Jeff Keller
News USA

Our primary source of heat in the home comes from the furnace — gas, oil or electric.

For a gas furnace, the burners and a series of tubes (heat exchanger) are behind an inspection plate. More tubes (manifolds) feed the burners a mixture of gas and air, which is ignited by the pilot. As the heat exchanger warms, a blower punches air through it and up into the ducts. Maintenance is minimal, but a contractor should handle a tune-up once a year or every other year.

An oil furnace has more component. A blower unit pulls in returning air and forces it through a heat exchanger. The burner is the heat producer. A separate blower mixes oil with air and ignites the mixture with an electric spark. A torch-like flame then is blasted into a fireproof compartment below the heat exchanger.

The combustion drives an oil pump that pulls oil through the lines from the tank. An oil filter, similar to a filter in a car, sifts sediment from the

oil. Maintenance varies depending on the kind of unit. A professional should clean and tune it once each year.

An electric-resistance furnace operates similar to a toaster with a fan. Current flows into a series of heat elements. As air pushed by the blower moves through the elements, it picks up warmth and travels through the system to each room. This unit does not require combustion and it doesn't have moving parts. Maintenance is minimal, but operating costs can be high.

If the kind of furnace in a home requires a panel filter, change it often. According to Gary Smith of 3M, a furnace generates dust and dirt that the filter catches before the heated air is released into the home.

"Most filters are easy to change," says Mr. Smith. "Just slide out the old and slide in the new."

Jeff Keller can be heard nationwide every Saturday morning on the Mr. Handyman show. Check local radio listings for time and station.



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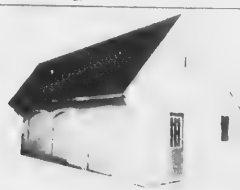
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Around The House

Understanding the facts about CO makes detection easier



undreds of people die and thousands are unintentional victims of serious carbon monoxide poisoning each year. The American Lung

Association recommends the following considerations when purchasing a carbon monoxide detector and safeguarding your home.

- Check that the product meets and is listed under Underwriters Laboratories Standard UL 2034.
- Weigh the benefits of plug-in technology vs. battery-operated models.
- Look for products recognized by reputable health and safety organizations and utilities.
- Choose a device that can be easily self-tested and reset to ensure proper functioning.
- Have your furnace and heating system inspected annually by a heating specialist.
- Have your chimney and flue cleaned professionally.
- Make sure burner flames on furnaces and stoves are blue - not yellow or orange.
- Never run an automobile or gasoline engine in an enclosed space.

To help spread the word about keeping households safe from carbon monoxide, the American Lung Association has launched a nationwide campaign in partnership with American Sensors Electronics Inc. to alert the public to the danger of indoor air pollution.

Carbon monoxide detector technology

There are two main types of carbon monoxide detectors: plug-in models and battery-operated models. Plug-in detectors do not require the replacement of batteries or sensor packs, can be reset easily and have a built-in testing device. In contrast, battery-operated carbon monoxide detectors are vulnerable to deterioration, cannot be quickly reset and require regular maintenance and periodic replacement of battery/sensor packs.

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Around The House

If the same old cracks or holes in walls and ceilings have been annoying you for months – even years – there's an easy solution. Provided there are no structural problems, you can patch all of the unsightly areas of your home, often in one afternoon, without hiring a professional. All you need are some basic materials from your local hardware store or home center.

It pays to keep a spackling com-

pound and several sized putty knives on hand to take care of patch problems as they occur. In the event of wall damage, leftover paint from each room should be transferred to smaller containers to reduce storage space and prevent skin formation. The following are some common causes of wall and ceiling damage:

Kitchen – removal of old appliances or cabinets can cause unsightly holes and destroy walls. And, new

appliances never seem to be of the same dimensions, drawing even more attention to holes, cracks and dents.

Bathrooms – removal or installation of plumbing, sinks, tubs or fixtures such as medicine chests, towel racks, shelves and paper holders.

All rooms – taking down old paneling or molding and removal of pictures or posters. Moving furniture is another culprit, causing nicks and dents.

Ceilings – ceiling fans or new light fixtures of unlike size to the old can cause and further expose damage to ceilings, particularly plaster.

The "ghost" crack – common over doorways, these cracks are caused by settling and are patched over and over again, only to reappear. These types of cracks are best patched by widening out to a "V" shape and

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'Dog days' are now 'air-conditioning appreciation days'

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Institute (ARI).

As a part of air-conditioning appreciation days, ARI wants every home owner to know that appreciating (caring for) your air conditioner can save you money.

The following are some basic rules that can keep you cool at minimum cost:

1. Caulk, weatherstrip and insulate (especially the attic) to close air gaps.

2. Plan hot work (washing and drying clothes, baking, cooking) for cooler morning and evening hours.

3. Pull drapes and shades over windows facing the sun.

4. Keep windows and doors closed when the air-conditioning is on.

5. Use an automatic setback thermostat to increase and decrease home temperature for daytime/nighttime differences to save money.

6. Set thermostat control at highest comfortable level – each degree raised reduces energy consumption by three to four percent.

7. Check the air filter every 30 days during heavy cooling.

8. In older systems, check the fan belt for wear.

9. Consider a service contract

which includes periodic maintenance and repairs for a specified period of time.

10. Keep the out-side unit free of leaves or other obstructions, and keep furniture away from inside registers to avoid blocking air flow.

Consumers can receive answers to 41 questions about central indoor comfort systems by sending a self-addressed, stamped business envelope to ARI, Dept. S94, 1301 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 425, Arlington, VA 22203. ARI will send you the brochure, "How to Keep Your Cool and Save Cold Cash," free of charge.

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Radon is still a serious threat

According to recent consumer surveys, Americans have a high awareness that exposure to radon gas can be deadly. Millions of people have tested their homes for the colorless, odorless gas, but it is still a serious threat to public health in this country.

The American Lung Association encourages people to learn the basic steps to help protect themselves against radon.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer and responsible for thousands of deaths each year in the United States. The EPA also says as many as 6 million homes in the United States have elevated levels of radon, a radioactive gas that comes from the natural breakdown of radium. Radium is a decay product of uranium and both are common elements in the soil.

Testing tips

Families can protect themselves from radon exposure by conducting

a simple, inexpensive test and making home repairs if needed. The American Lung Association offers these tips:

1. Any home can have a radon problem – even apartments if they are below the third floor. Testing for radon is a simple precaution that everyone should take. Homes with radon problems can be fixed.

2. Do-it-yourself test kits are available for \$10 to \$25 from most hardware stores and other retail outlets.

3. Choose a reliable test kit. Look for the words "Meets EPA Requirements" or "EPA Listed" on the package.

4. Depending on the type of kit you select, testing can take anywhere from a few days to a year. The longer the test, the more accurate the results in predicting the year-round levels in a home.

5. If a short-term test indicates an elevated radon level, confirm your findings with a second test before taking action.

6. If you prefer, a professional testing firm, listed by the EPA or

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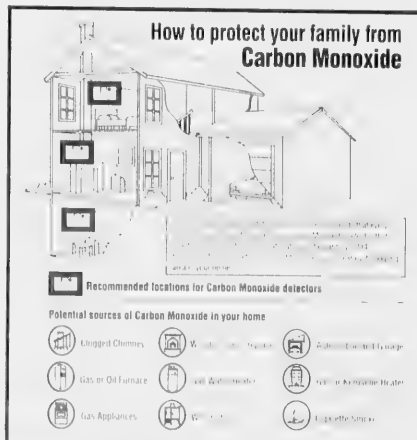
Placement of carbon monoxide detectors

Carbon monoxide gases distribute evenly and quickly throughout the house; therefore, a carbon monoxide detector should be installed in or near each sleeping area in the home. Due to the periodic low level emission of carbon monoxide that occurs when heating appliances turn on, American Sensors does not recommend the placement of carbon monoxide detectors directly in the utility area of the home.

Sources of carbon monoxide gas

Carbon monoxide is the by-product of burned fossil fuels such as propane, gasoline, natural gas, oil, wood and coal. Common home appliances that burn fossil fuels include forced air heating systems, gas or

oil furnaces, water or kerosene heaters, gas clothes dryers, gas ovens or ranges, fireplaces, barbecue grills and wood burning stoves. Carbon monoxide is also hidden in car exhaust. Each of these sources requires periodic inspection. In addition, proper ventilation is key in preventing carbon monoxide buildup.



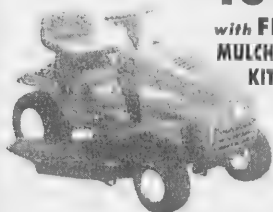
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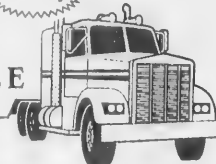
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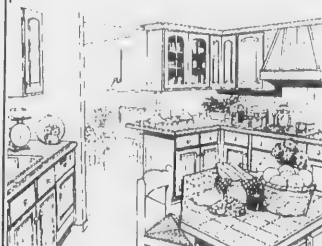
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Radon is still a serious threat

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the state, can test your home for you.

7. If your home does have a high radon level, don't panic. Repairs cost no more than many other common home repairs and will not change the appearance of your home. A variety of methods can be used, from sealing cracks in floors and walls to changing the flow of air into your home.

8. Always consult an EPA-qualified or state-certified radon contractor. They can evaluate the problem and help you select the right solution.

9. As when hiring a contractor for any other home repair, you may want to get more than one estimate and check references.

10. Contact your local American Lung Association at 1-800-LUNG-USA for more information about radon, including names of qualified radon contractors and testing firms, or call 1-800-SOS-RADON.

'ASK DR. BOND' Some spring cleaning solutions for the home

With spring comes the annual ritual of spring cleaning. Dr. William Bond, vice president of Technical Development for ServiceMaster, the leading residential and commercial cleaning services company, answers some of the most frequently asked questions about household maintenance.

Dear Dr. Bond:

I have been using household cleaning products for years. I am nervous about using too much of these products around the house. Is it true that when chemicals "smell" they are dangerous?

Judy M.

Amarillo, Texas

A. Whether you smell a chemical or not can have very little to do with whether it has any toxic properties. In fact, many residential products contain large amounts of perfume because people tend to think that if it smells clean, it is clean, the first and best line of defense against chemical misuse is to use household cleaners according to their directions and to use the right products for each job.

The second is to wear skin and eye protection when you use them. Professional cleaning workers are trained in how to use each product in the safest way possible.

Dear Dr. Bond:

I am a single father with three kids and would like to make home spring cleaning a family initiative. What steps should I take when planning a thorough "once-over"?

Michael T.

Sacramento, Calif.

A. A good rule of thumb for front-line cleaning troops is to concentrate on cleaning everything that's below the knee and above eye level, as those areas are more likely to get missed during regular cleaning. Make a cleaning schedule and assign tasks which generate interest among your family. For example, younger kids can dust under and around the bottom areas of furniture while taller kids can clean hard-to-reach areas such as the window and door frames. For added incentive, set a time limit on tasks - the first one finished picks

the take-out dinner of their choice, your treat!

Dear Dr. Bond:

During the winter I noticed that we manage to track a lot of snow throughout the house. My carpets tend to look darker even though I vacuum regularly throughout the winter months. What should I do?

Margaret S.

Buffalo, N.Y.

A. Salt tracked into your home during the winter attracts water, and the water-salt mixture attracts soil which sticks to carpet fibers. If this is left in the carpet, it will attract and retain dirt and grime, leading to these darker stains. Mere vacuuming removes loose debris from the rug, but leaves sticky substances intact. Thorough extraction with a hot water rinse is the only way to remove the salt from your carpet and prevent permanent stains from developing.

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Preserving Wood flooring finish is easy

Homeowners everywhere are enhancing their homes with wood flooring thanks to the many patterns, colors, and easy care techniques available today. But maintaining the hardwood floor of your home doesn't have to be a chore. For best results, keep these tips in mind when working with your contractor.

- To add rich natural color, ask about the wide variety of wood species available. For a winter or rich color, maple and hickory are ideal.

- Determine the grade of hard wood needed. The best is "clear," with almost no knots. "Select," with minor knots and discolorations, is second best, followed by "Number One."

- Wood stains are now available in a wider range of colors, from earth tones to pastels, so woodwork can be matched to flooring.

- Consider inlay and border patterns, such as parquet, herringbone, and checkerboard. Advanced laser cutting and the availability of pre-cut pieces are helping to make these patterns more affordable.

- The latest polyurethane coatings have revolutionized wood floor maintenance. Use a satin-flow glossy finish in high-traffic areas to enhance the wood's beauty and help hide inadvertent scratches and scuff marks.

- Before work begins, insist that wood be conditioned or sanded the night before it is to be installed for at least two weeks. This reduces expansion and contraction problems.



High-tech finishes have made wood flooring practical and easy to maintain. Preserving a beautiful finish is easy with the following guidelines from the National Wood Flooring Association:

- Place mats and throw rugs at doorway, exterior, and interior, to help prevent the tracking of dirt, dust, and sand.

- Sweep or vacuum wood floors regularly.

- Never wet mop a wood floor. Water can dull the finish and damage the wood.

- Wipe up food and other spills immediately with a dry or slightly dampened towel.

- Put plastic or fabric-faced glides under the legs of furniture to prevent scuffing and scratching.

- When moving heavy furniture, protect wood flooring by slipping a piece of cloth or pile under the legs or covering each leg with a heavy sock or half of a milk carton.

- Never use sheet vinyl or tile floor care products on wood floors. Self-polishing acrylic waxes cause wood to

become slippery and appear dull quickly.

- Never wax a urethane-finished floor.

- Do not excessively wax a wax-finished floor. If the floor dulls, try buffing instead. Avoid wax buildup under furniture and other light traffic areas by applying wax in these areas every other waxing session.

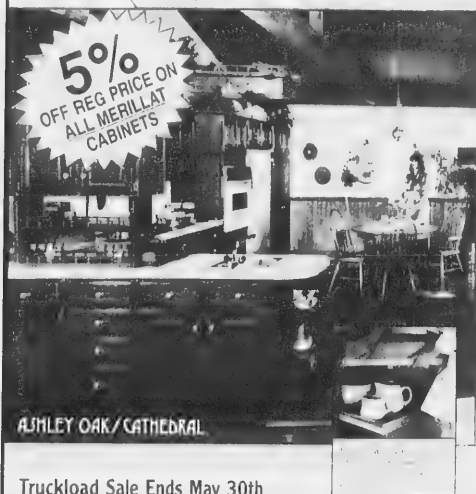
- Remember, clean, sport shoes and bare feet can dent any floor surface.

- If wood flooring is in the kitchen, place an area rug in front of the sink to catch water.

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Concrete is subject to several types of damage, including:

- **Cracking** – occurs when the ground underneath concrete settles or shifts.
- **Pitting** – occurs when an outside agent, such as chemicals, salt or acid rain, attacks the surface.
- **Crumbling** – is the result of stress in the concrete slab, usually at the edges of expansion joints.
- **Discoloration** – occurs when dirt,

algae, mold, tree droppings or leaves cause a staining residue.

Once considered difficult to repair, mainly because repairs didn't always last, damaged concrete now can be restored to its original beauty and usefulness with lasting results – at a fraction of the cost of replacing it.

One new option available to homeowners is a concrete restoration sys-

tem that utilizes polymer-based technology to produce a repaired area that is actually stronger and more durable than the original concrete, according to a producer of home improvement products. The result is an aesthetically pleasing, restored concrete surface that offers years of additional life at a cost approximately one-tenth that of replacement.

One doesn't have to be a pro to repair walls and ceilings

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patching with a spackling compound.

Before beginning your patch makeover, do a quick audit of repair problems in each room. That way you can tackle them all at once.

- Remove all debris around the hole, even under edges for a firm foundation.

- Apply filler or spackling compound with a putty knife. The blade should be wider than the hole. Spreading evenly, cover the hole and its backing completely. Allow the patch to dry.

- For large holes without backing, you can create one very easily. Use a piece of slat board nailed or screwed

at the center to a piece of string or tie the string to some screen. Punch the backing through the hole and surround the opening with filler or spackling compound. Pull the string forward as you apply the compound to the backing and around the hole. When it has dried, cut the string and apply one more coat of filler, feathering until level with the wall.

- For recurring cracks, scrape away all loose debris and widen the crack into a V shape. Then, apply spackling compound over the crack, in as many applications as it takes to conceal it. For exposed drywall joints that result from two pieces of drywall coming together, joint tape and joint compound are specifically recom-

mended for these applications.

- Nail holes are a cinch, just apply compound with the putty knife or your finger, blending until level with the wall surface.

- When repairing drywall, follow these steps. For large holes, use a piece of sheetrock scrap that covers most of the hole. Use a screw to affix it to the backing. Fill remaining space with spackling compound. After it dries, carefully remove the screw and apply a second coat of filler.

- For more extensive drywall damage such as gaping holes or dents, measure the damaged area. Cut a rectangle larger than the area with a drywall saw, until the studs on either side are reached. Use a utility knife

to make vertical cuts on the drywall in the middle of the studs. Remove the rectangular piece of drywall and use it to make a pattern for a new piece of drywall. Affix the new section to the studs with screws or nails and cover the cracks between the patch and surrounding drywall with spackling compound and let dry.

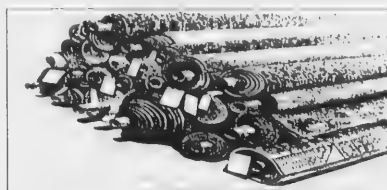
- Always keep leftover paint on hand, so patched areas can be painted over without the worry of matching colors. Also, apply a primer to the patched area before painting.

With a few simple tools and the right filler from your local home center, you can tackle those damaged or cracked walls and ceilings. It's easier than you think.

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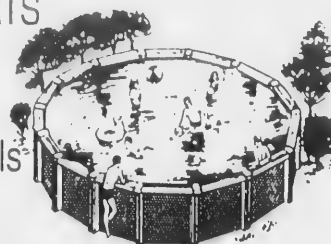
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1. Choose your caulk carefully.

There are three kinds:

Silicon is best on metal glass, tile, plastics and other smooth non-porous materials. It comes in several colors since it generally cannot be painted.

Latex and acrylic caulk adhere best to porous surfaces such as wood and concrete. They clean up with water and last for 10, 15, 25 years or more depending on quality.

Specialty caulks include urethane, used by professionals on masonry and concrete; butyl; and roof cement, a sticky, asphalt-based caulk.

2. Prepare the surface. Before you caulk, the place you're caulking should be dry and free of grease and old hardened caulk. If the hole is very deep, fill it in with loose fiber-

glass or plastic foam rods.

3. Practice to learn how to apply it. The best caulk bead should have an hour-glass shape and be about half as thick as the space it breaches. It should stick to the sides but not the back of the crack so it can stretch.

Many homeowners find a caulk gun can be right on target when it comes to helping them apply caulk properly. For instance, three new power caulkers from Wagner are designed to provide a smooth, consistent bead of caulk and eliminate the tiresome triggering of manual caulking guns. These PowRCaulk caulking guns help prevent wrist cramping and have an automatic reverse when caulking stops to eliminate oozing. They are available at many hardware and home center stores across the country.

Gun angle is important. Too low an angle produces a lumpy, irregular bead, too steep and the tip scrapes caulk out of the joint.

4. Big beads are best. Be sure to leave a hefty bead so the caulk isn't pulled away as the underlying material expands and contracts.

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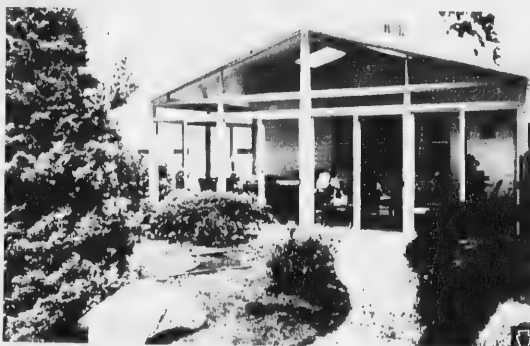
Design ideal sunspace with seven steps

Adding a sunspace can be like creating a little vacation spot in your home, if you plan it right. Well-designed sunspaces are bright, fresh, and inviting, and the natural sunlight can do wonders to boost your mood and energy level.

Creating a relaxing, stress-free area in your home is catching on. More than 500,000 Americans are improving their homes with a sunspace each year, reports Qualified Remodeler magazine. Patio Enclosures, Inc., the nation's largest custom manufacturer and installer of sunrooms, offers these seven steps to creating the ideal room.

Use your imagination

Sunrooms are not only for patio furniture and plants. "Many of our customers create them to be home offices, exercise spas, hot-tub enclosures, family rooms, dining and entertaining areas,



music rooms and even breakfast nooks," says Rick Jones, president of Patio Enclosures, Inc.

Choose your sunroom type

A sunroom can be a screen, unheated three-season, or insulated year-round glass enclosure with a solid roof, or a solarium made of all glass including a curved or straight eave glass roof.

Select a location

Consider a location with

easy access to your yard's activity area. For cost effectiveness, enclose an existing porch or deck with glass windows or doors. Or consider adding onto an outside wall to enhance your family room, kitchen, or master bedroom. **Don't forget window treatments**

Think about window treatments before, not after your room is constructed. Shading systems are one of the most effective ways to control the

temperature and sun glare in your room.

Blend your sunspace with your home's architecture

Work with your contractor to make the sunroom blend with your home's architecture to avoid that tacky "added-on" look. The roof style, foundation, size and color should blend with the design of your home.

Consider the room adjoining your sunspace

A sunspace that brightens one part of the house can darken another. To keep adjoining rooms bright, choose an all-glass solarium or a roof with insulated glass panels, an option exclusively offered by Patio Enclosures, Inc.

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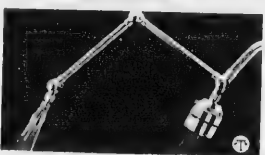
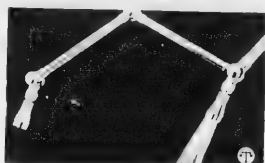
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Two heads are better than one

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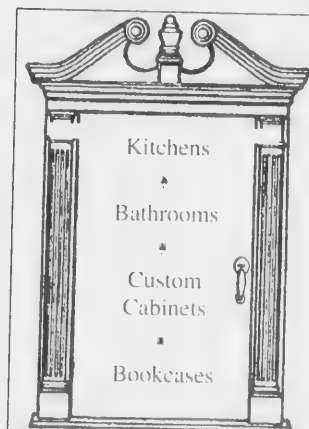


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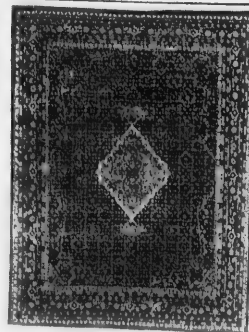
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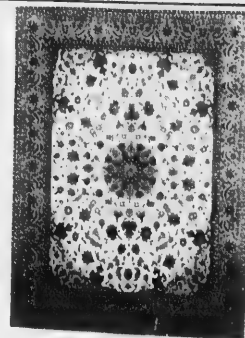
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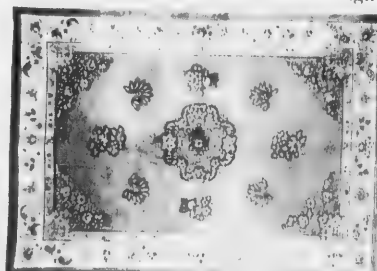
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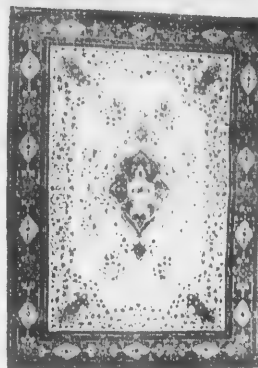
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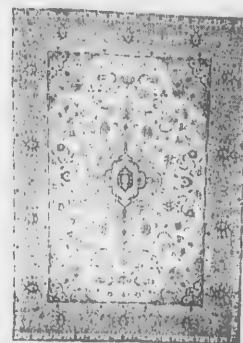
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Cleaning the right way may add 26 days of leisure time per year to one's life

By Jeff Campbell

Cleaning your house on a regular basis is certainly a noble goal, but it truly doesn't sound like much fun to most of us. Especially since most households take around eight hours a week to keep clean - at least the way most people do it. That eight hours a week translates into 52 days a year, most of which are coveted weekends that could otherwise be spent playing golf or tennis, going boating or taking the kids to the park. You know, "fun" things.

Speed Cleaning is a book that teaches you how. And, not by working harder, only smarter.

Speed Cleaning the house doesn't mean doing a haphazard job either. It's a system - not hints - that takes

you through the cleaning step-by-step. Most people don't have a chance since they are never taught how to clean in the first place. But cleaning the right way can literally cut home cleaning time in half, adding as many as 26 days a year of leisure time. Remember leisure time?

Here are a few trade secrets to start you on your way.

1. Make every move count. That means work around the room once. Most everyone backtracks instead. Eliminate backtracking by carrying your equipment and supplies with you in an apron. It helps if the apron is specifically designed for cleaning as is the apron from The Clean Team catalog, Boca Raton, Fla.

2. Use the right tools. This is

probably the major timesaver of the bunch. Give your specialized gadgets to your enemies. Find out and use what professionals use. You need real tools that cut your time in shreds.

3. Work from top to bottom.

Don't argue about this point. Professional cleaners know that this is the way to do it, no matter what your mother said.

4. If it isn't dirty, don't clean it. Often all that's dirty is a few fingerprints near a handle, so don't clean the whole area.

5. Don't keep working after it's clean. Pay attention to when the surface is clean, and stop after it is. Don't squander valuable leisure time by continuing to rub and rub after the work is done.

6. Use the right product for the job. If what you are using isn't going to work, shift to a heavier duty cleaner or tool.

These simple rules will get you on the road to a speedier home cleaning method ... and to more time for week-end fun.

For a free catalog describing Jeff Campbell's Clean Team *Speed Cleaning* methods and products, send \$1 (for postage and handling) to The Clean Team/NAPS, 990 South Rogers Circle, #5, Boca Raton, Fla. 33487.

Jeff Campbell is an expert on the art and science of home cleaning. His book, *Speed Cleaning (Definitely)*, has sold more than a million copies. He is founder of Jeff Campbell's Clean Team.

Fires started in homes by cigarettes, arson, electrical malfunction and other causes result in about 6,000 deaths in the United States and Canada each year, and more than 31,000 injuries. Billions of dol-

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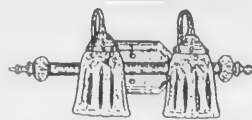
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Choosing the perfect garage door

Your garage doors deserve extra attention when you build or remodel your home. They can contribute as much as 40 percent to its overall appearance.

The range of garage door options has grown substantially in the past few years, with new designs, new materials and new technology. That means more choices for you.

One of the most significant decisions homeowners will make is the choice of construction materials. Generally speaking, the available options are steel and wood. Wood has been the traditional choice for millions of homes over the years. But for most homeowners today's state-of-the-art steel garage doors offer many

advantages that are hard to beat.

Appearance. Some homeowners still prefer the look of genuine wood garage doors. But today's steel doors offer the widest selection of panel styles, pre-painted colors, windows and window design options to accent and enhance any home's exterior.

Maintenance. Modern steel doors are available pre-painted with permanent, durable, rust-inhibitive paints to match or coordinate with exterior house colors. Wood doors usually require sealing, caulking

and repainting every few years.

Insulation. Steel doors are available with insulation in a variety of thicknesses, bonded to exterior and interior steel skins for rigidity, durability, noise reduction, energy efficiency and comfort. Wood doors generally are sold without added insulation.

Durability. Steel garage doors are built to last. Wood doors require periodic preventive maintenance — sealing, painting, staining — to avoid rot and deterioration.

Economy. Because steel doors last

longer, with less maintenance, they offer the lowest total cost over the life of the door. And insulated steel doors can increase a home's energy efficiency, too.

For most homeowners steel garage doors offer the best solutions to their particular needs. For your own home, consider all the variables, including aesthetics, the climate where you live and how you expect to use the garage and the garage door.

For more information on garage doors and on choosing, buying and installing them, call 1-800-2CLOPAY and ask for a free copy of *A Guide To Garage Doors* from Clopay Building Products Company in Cincinnati.



New designs, materials and technology mean more garage-door choices for homeowners.

Homeowners turn to downlighting for illumination and beauty

Today's homeowners increasingly are turning to downlighting to both illuminate and beautify living rooms, kitchens, bathrooms, hallways and other areas of their homes. However, deciding what type of downlighting you want isn't

always an easy decision. A trip to your local home center or lighting showroom can present literally hundreds of different choices regarding the type of downlight housing, trims, lenses, and light source or lamp. Happily, choosing the

right downlighting combinations for your home is a lot easier now, thanks to a new booklet published by Hubbell Lighting, a firm that has been in the electrical industry for more than 100 years. The booklet, *Beautiful Lighting,*

Beautiful Home will help guide you through the decision-making and installation process. It covers the four specific downlighting applications and what type of downlights are available — open cones, baffles, reflect-

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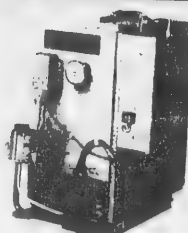
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detectors installed and, when properly used and maintained, smoke detectors save lives.

Unfortunately, one-third of all home smoke detectors, it's believed,

are inoperable due to dead, disconnected or missing batteries.

However, there are some necessary precautions families can take to protect themselves should a fire start in their home:

- When purchasing a smoke detector look for the Underwriter Laboratories (UL) label, which indicates fire-code standards have been met.

- Check to see if the detector operates with a common battery. Those that don't frequently have a custom battery that can be hard to find in stores.

- Dust and test detectors monthly. Test an alarm by exposing it to smoke.

- Replace the batteries in all home smoke detectors once a year.

- Place detectors in key locations throughout the home – one at the top

of each stairwell leading to sleeping areas and one on each floor and/or each distinct living area, including the basement and attic.

- Keep at least two fire extinguishers in the home – one in the kitchen and one in the furnace area.

- Prepare escape routes and plan and practice regular family fire drills.

Some advanced smoke detectors are integrated with home security systems to offer homeowners added home protection and peace of mind.

A home automation system can integrate control of security and fire alarm systems, as well as temperature, lighting and appliances.

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tors, and eyeball type. According to the booklet, by combining the various lamps, trims and housings, you can create a myriad of moods and effects.

Open cones, for example, allow lamps to be recessed and cut down on surface brightness so the effect, not

the source can be seen. Baffles trap the light and limit glare and brightness at the ceiling level. This directs your eye toward the point of illumination and away from its source.

The booklet goes on to talk about the different tasks of downlighting.

- For task lighting, such as sewing, cooking and reading, it's

important to prevent eyestrain, yet at the same time avoid glare or shadows.

- Accent lighting lets you highlight an object of art, a painting or architectural feature with a precisely controlled bright beam of light

- Wall washing, a simple method of using your downlights to bathe a

wall with light by placing them at an acute angle from the wall.

There are a number of other lighting tips in the booklet, which is available free by writing to: Hubbell Lighting, 2000 Electric Way, Christiansburg, VA 24073 or by calling 703-382-6111. Ext. 505.

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Synthetic moldings gain in popularity

When it comes to decorating, it's the "little things" that set one house apart from others.

Little things like an ornamental crown molding softens the intersection of the ceiling and the wall. A classic chair rail divides two different wall treatments. An upscale ceiling medallion serves as a base for a chandelier.

At one time, details like these were reserved for only the finest homes. Today, however, nearly everyone can enjoy the elegance of these decorative touches thanks to moldings and

medallions made from high-density polyurethane, an easy-to-cut, lightweight material that's virtually indistinguishable from plaster or wood after installation.

Finishing Touches, a new line of polyurethane moldings and medallions from Armstrong, is representative of this new breed of synthetic molding. The new addition to the flooring company's line of home fashion products features an assortment of crown, ceiling, wall and chair rail moldings as well as an array of decorative corners, insets, rosettes and medallions.

For people not accustomed to decorating with ornamental moldings such as these, interior design experts at Armstrong offer the following tips:

- Crown moldings are installed where the ceiling meets the wall and help add drama, sophistication and style to a room.
- A chair rail is customarily used to protect the wall from furniture. However, it also can be used as a decorative accent strip on walls and ceilings or in combination with crown moldings.
- Ceiling and wall moldings add depth and dimension to a surface.

They are often used to create recessed panel designs on a wall or to add sophisticated perimeter treatments to a ceiling.

- Decorative corners and insets feature graceful curves that coordinate with ceiling and wall moldings to create distinctive motifs.
- Rosettes function as a form of "design punctuation" and can be nested inside radius corners or used with ceiling and wall moldings to create corner accents.
- Ceiling medallions can be used alone or as the base for a ceiling fan, light fixture or chandelier.

For decorative value, 'drop' ceilings are looking up

A growing desire to create unique and individual rooms is causing homeowners to focus once again on their ceilings. Instead of using "drop" ceilings solely to cover bare floor joists in unfinished basements or hide problem ceilings, homeowners are now considering them for their decorative value.

Design professionals say one of the reasons behind this emerging trend is

the introduction of a new generation of suspended ceiling panels that feature the styles, patterns and designs of the past with contemporary functional benefits.

"In the past, ceilings were special," says Thomas Hill Cook, director of interior design for Armstrong World Industries, one of the country's producers of home fashion products.

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Decorating tastes of today's consumers vary

Decorating tastes of today's consumers are far from paint-by-number. Casual people who like to get their hands dirty in the garden may prefer a relaxed kitchen, but want very formal dining area. A whimsical and funky kid's room may be across the hall from a romantic master suite.

According to Stuart Beattie, vice president, styling and design for Mannington Resilient Floors, there are currently eight dominant trends for the coming year.

"Certain lifestyles may be more suited to one trend than another," he says. "This shouldn't limit com-

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Choosing an interior designer

Selecting an interior designer is as personal a choice as selecting your interiors. You want to find a partner, someone you will feel comfortable working with. And that means investing a little time. Here are some pointers on what to look for when you're ready to choose an interior designer:

- Work with a professional designer. Your assurance of the quality of work and experience of your designer is as simple as the credentials he or she carries.

- Insist on a personal interview. Ask the designer to visit you in your home or office so he or she can see what you have in mind. Request a list of references and carefully scrutinize the designer's portfolio, looking for examples of projects like the one you're considering.

- Be prepared to answer personal questions. The only way a designer can help you accomplish your design goals is by finding out everything he or she can about you and your lifestyle. Answer all the questions as honestly as you can, and get input from the rest of your family. Provide any information that you think is important about the way you use your home. Clippings from magazines and

ideas from books will give the designer a feel for your preferences. In order for the partnership to work, you have to let your designer in on your dreams.

- Ask a lot of questions. Be sure you understand what your designer is recommending and what it involves. Can workers function around you, or will you have to leave the house? How long will each step take? A project can easily go astray if you don't keep the communication lines open.

- Set parameters up front. If you have a specific budget or project calendar in mind, be sure to let the designer know about it. Be honest about how much you want to spend. A professional designer will always give you an estimate for work and a timetable for getting it done, but you can save time and energy up front by stating any limitations.

If you are uncertain of where to start looking for your designer partner, the American Society of Interior Designers offers a free referral service. To locate professional interior designers in your area, and get a copy of the ASID brochure, *Hire An Interior Designer*, call toll-free 1-800-775-ASID.

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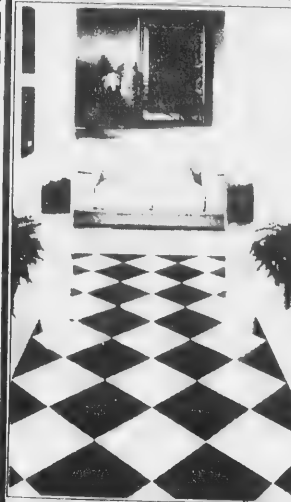
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sumers unless they like a harmonious look. Combinations of styling trends often produce decorating masterpieces that capture the many moods of a household."

Trends to consider for 1995 are:

This "country goes botanical" trend reflects our aging population's interest in the garden and the nostalgic charm of a country inn (a look a little softer than "American Farmhouse" and less busy than "English Cottage," Mr. Beattie says many stylish floor coverings today, such as the Mannington Gold Classic Florenza design or the delicately-designed flowers and leaves of La Petite Fleur; beautifully suit this style trend.

YOUNG AT HEART

Whether it's a cartoon fish on a shower curtain or a zany piece of painted pottery, this trend appeals to decorators who like childhood fun and amusing conversational pieces.

50'S REVIVAL

Great for accent fabrics and casu-

al dinnerware, this includes Art Deco influences which saw a revival in the 50's (a la Miami's South Beach).

THE ROMANTIC YEARS

Period furniture, in which craftsmanship and timeless style are king, dominate from Louis the XIV to Queen Anne, from Victorian to New Classical. It's interior design for "An Age of Innocence" home.

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ABSTRACTIONS

Looks taken from 20th-century art like Picasso and Matisse let a home decorator create a very dramatic, colorful and personal design statement. Modern kitchenware, bed linens, men's ties and women's apparel all reflect this trend.

Of course the best aspect to this constantly evolving cycle of decor trends is that consumers have the chance to explore whole new interior options or to update favorite rooms with interesting accents at a moment's whim.

Think traditional, functional and classic. Visualize beautiful beiges,

whites and soft blues and the always-in-style basics.

ROMANTIC

The barely-there interior in which "less is more" features Italian linens, taupe couches, pale wall coverings.

This includes design influences from Asia, America (native Indians), Mexico, India, Africa and Europe. So whether you're going back to your roots, or dreaming of a far away land, there's plenty of ways to bring the look home.

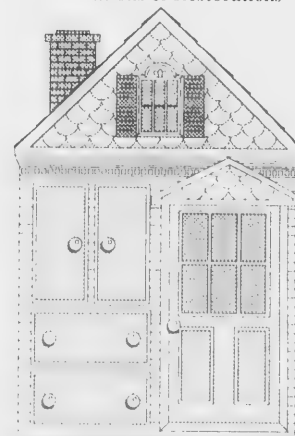
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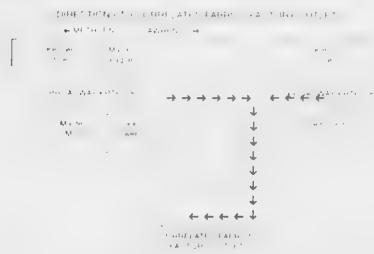
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- Do I have the time to perform regular maintenance?
- Are there a variety of door styles and glass door-lite options?

- Is energy efficiency important to me? Security? Durability?
- It's a world of first impressions, does this entry door make the right one?

Wood doors have a look that homeowners love. Beautiful grain, rich color and a wide selection of styles can add a touch of class to any home. But wood doors can be very expensive and require extensive maintenance. Even a well-cared for wood door can split, warp

and rot with extended exposure.

Steel doors offer an alternative. Energy efficiency, security and exceptional value make steel doors attractive. New low-maintenance options make them even more appealing to the busy homeowner. But steel can rust and has a tendency to dent. A stone tossed by a lawn mower can ruin its sleek finish.

Fiberglass doors look like wood and eliminate many of wood's dis-

advantages. They also provide excellent insulation value and require lower maintenance, needing only a fresh coat of topcoat every two or three years.

Composite doors are the newest and best available on the market today. They look more like wood than fiberglass doors and even feel like wood. However, unlike wood, they won't crack, split, splinter, shrink, swell, warp or bow and they won't dent like steel.

Carpets create comfort and atmosphere

When you get down to it, decorators say, there's nothing like carpet for creating comfort and atmosphere. Carpet also insulates a home against noise and temperature extremes and provides a layer of protection.

Says noted interior designer and the former decorating correspondent for ABC-TV's *The Home Show*, Kitty Bartholomew, "Floor covering is actually and figuratively the foundation of the home, and a component this important should look good. Yard-for-yard consumers can buy a more complete feeling with carpet than with

any other floor covering."

To help homeowners make the best decisions about buying carpet, the Carpet and Rug Institute, the national trade association representing carpet and rug manufacturers and suppliers of raw material and services to the industry, has recently introduced a new booklet "Carpet: The Choice for Every Walk of Life."

It includes useful information on the attributes of carpet; hints for measuring a room to estimate how much carpet is needed; explanations of texture, fiber content and carpet construction; and tips for determining

carpet quality. It even has a handy form to record the details of a carpet purchase (warranties, installation information and the like) for future reference.

The brochure also suggests:

- Before purchasing a carpet, ask yourself how the room will be used. Will it have heavy traffic? Will it be the center of family life? Is there direct access from the outside, making it subject to tracked-in soil?
- A high-quality professional installation can extend the life of your purchase.
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ion is necessary to form a good foundation for your carpet increasing its comfort and extending its life.

Explains Ms. Bartholomew, "The best investment a consumer can make is to become more educated about purchases for the home. With correct information, consumers can be more confident about their carpet investment."

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"In more recently constructed homes, however, owners have had little choice but to live with one vast expanse of drywall ceiling, usually painted an off-white. As a result," Cook explains, "the ceiling has become the great unclaimed territory, the Alaska of most people's homes."

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Cook says the unique visual interest of the panels is expected to appeal to homeowners who are looking to make a more sophisticated statement in their homes.

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The secrets of growing great roses

Throughout virtually all of history, roses have been one of mankind's most popular flowers. They were present in the Garden of Eden and have been depicted in the greatest works of many of the world's most renowned artists. Today, from making the ideal Mother's Day or Valentine's Day present, to their tremendous visual presence at the annual Rose Bowl Parade, the rose remains one of nature's most enduring flowers.

So, what's the secret to bringing the beauty of roses to your own home? According to the professionals at Easy Gardener, manufacturers of WeedBlock landscape fabric, growing roses can be an exciting challenge with great results. There are literally thousands of varieties and in excess of 100 rose species. And blooms come in a kaleidoscope of colors ranging from pink to white to lavender, and, quite often, with two, three, even four colors in a single blossom.

Hardy floribundas that naturally resist disease make ideal border

and barrier plantings, while miniature rose plants are frequently raised in containers or used as ground covers. Hybrid tea roses, perhaps the most highly treasured of today's roses, can grow as high as three to five feet tall and feature blossoms as wide as five inches.

Suggestions for planting

Position roses a good distance from other trees and shrubs in order to keep the roots of the various plants from battling for the nutrients and water in the soil. At least six hours of sunlight a day are needed by roses if they are to thrive. Therefore, it is best to choose a planting site with an easterly exposure. Also, a

somewhat inclined site will help induce better water drainage.

Generally, rose bushes can be purchased bare-root or in containers. Container roses will last a while in their containers and do not need to be planted right after being brought home.

They also do not require a thorough

soaking before being planted, although, if you won't be putting the plant into soil for several days, be sure to keep it well watered. Roses that come bare-root should be planted as soon as possible and it is best to soak them so the roots do not dry up, which can kill the plant.

Roses are always in fashion and go a long way toward beautifying the yard. Using a landscape fabric will help ensure that newly planted roses get off to a good start.

Now, it's time to put the plant in the ground. For container plants, if the roots are tightly encircling the root ball, loosen them or cut several slits into the root to encourage fresh growth. Lower the plant into a hole about three times wider than the spread of the plant's roots, fill the hole halfway with soil and water the entire plant, then add more soil and fertilizer to ensure lush growth.

When putting bare-root plants into the ground, use soil to form a firm mound at the hole's bottom.

then carefully drape the roots over the mound, making certain that enough stem will be above the ground once the hole is filled in. Again, back-fill, securing the plant in place, then water and add fertilizer. Often, after planting, rose bushes experience transplant shock and lose moisture. Consider spraying an antitranspirant spray to help plants retain moisture.

Landscape fabrics

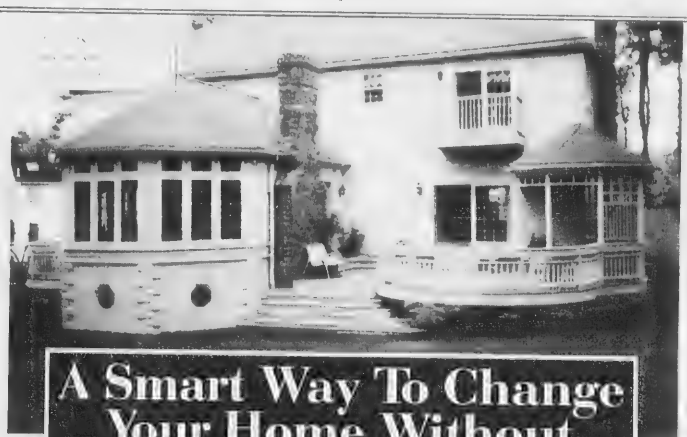
A rose shrub's prickliest nemesis—weeds—can be eliminated easily and without chemicals by placing a landscape fabric, around the new plant. Designed to allow water and air to pass through to plant roots, landscape fabrics block sunlight so

that weeds can't grow and compete with roses for the moisture and nutrients they need to survive.

Landscape fabric can be placed around established, larger rose plants in overlapping strips.

For smaller, less mature rose plants, it's easier to lay the fabric directly over the plant, cut the holes

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the holes or x's to the size needed, and pull the material down around the plant. Then just push the loose fabric evenly under the plant. A two- to three-inch layer of mulch will help ensure that the soil around the rose plant remains temperate and moist and will help the fabric last indefinitely.

Investing some time and effort in planting roses now will ensure countless years of colorful and aromatic blooms that will be the pride of your yard and the envy of your neighbors. Getting started is as easy as a visit to your local garden center.



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A rose is a rose. Roses are always in fashion and go a long way toward beautifying the yard. Using a landscape fabric will help ensure that newly planted roses get off to a good start.



Trimmer selection made simple

Trimmers and brushcutters make light work of clearing jobs, but with all of the options available to today's consumers, selecting the proper unit for the job can be overwhelming.

The staff at Husqvarna Forest & Garden Co., a worldwide manufacturer of chain saws and lawn and garden equipment, say consumers wanting to select a trimmer should work with a servicing retailer to:

- Evaluate how the trimmer will be used. Will the application be heavy duty, or light weekend work? Will the operator primarily trim grass, clear brush or fell small trees? How often and how long will the trimmer or brushcutter be used? The answers to these questions will help the servicing dealer direct the customer to the units most appropriate to serve his needs.

- Review shaft options. There has been an explosion of product in recent years. Put simply, however, trimmers are most often divided into two groups: straight shaft and curved shaft. Straight shafts are generally sturdier and used in heavier applications. Curved shafts, typically reserved for homeowner units, bring the operator closer to the work at hand, making the equipment especially easy to maneuver when trimming around shrubs, flower beds or walls.

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- Consider handle alternatives. Trimmers and brushcutters come equipped with various handles. For example, "bicycle" handles offer enhanced control and are suitable for use with either string line heads or metal blades; "looped" handles are for use with string line heads or plastic blades and are ideal for easy turning and side trimming. A servicing retailer can help customers determine the best handle for the job.

- Decide on cutting attachment. Trimmer heads can be broken into two categories: string and blade. String trimmer head options include those with a fixed line, those with line that is advanced manually, those that can be tapped to advance line or those that automatically feed line as old line wears down. There are dozens of different brushcutter blade types, as well; use only those recommended by the manufacturer.

- Demand low noise, weight and vibration. When selecting trimmers and brushcutters, be sure to look for products that are ergonomically well-designed in order to ensure operator comfort and ease of operation. Low

weight, minimal vibration and low noise levels are particularly important. Other features to look for:

- comfortable and adjustable handle and harness, allowing for optimum comfort and productivity
- sufficient power to handle all the jobs that will be performed
- an easy, uncomplicated starting procedure
- protective housing to shield the user from hot parts
- easy access air filter

- Quality. The lowest price does not always mean the best deal. Select quality products from a servicing retailer with superior product knowledge. A well-trained retailer will be able to help customer select the right product for their needs as well as repair the equipment should the need arise.

Evaluate how the trimmer will be used. Will the application be heavy duty, or light weekend work?

UFOs ... In A Lawn Near You

By Ellen Henke

Seen any UFOs lately? I'm talking about "Unwanted Flying Objects" - branches, twigs, stones, pine cones, tools or toys that could be potential mowing and safety hazards. By taking a few extra minutes to survey your lawn and remove any UFOs, you could save an expensive trip to a dealership or repair shop or, worse yet, a visit to the doctor.

If twigs, leaves or other debris clog your mower's discharge chute, turn off your mower immediately. With a walk-behind mower, be sure to disconnect the spark plug wire to keep the engine from restarting if you accidentally turn the blade while examining the mowing chamber. With a riding mower, turn the ignition key to "off." In either case, don't touch hot engine or exhaust surfaces and carefully use a stick or tool to dislodge the debris. Never use your hands or feet to clear a clog.

Fill, level and cover any low spots or depressions in your lawn that could turn an ankle. Also, be sure to navigate safely on slopes. Mow

across slopes in your yard if you're using a walk-behind mower. If you were to slip and fall, your mower would be less likely to roll on top of you. Do the opposite with a riding mower: Mow up and down slopes for greater stability.

Hills too steep to mow safely shouldn't be mowed at all. Add a decorative ground cover to protect the area in native wildflowers. Steer clear, too, of embankments and drop-offs.

Regardless of your terrain, always keep family members, especially children, far away from the area you're mowing to protect them from UFOs. Never take passengers on a riding mower and never allow children to operate mowers. Be particularly careful when backing up with riding or walk-behind mowers.

So the next time your neighbors see you clearing debris off the yard, tell them you're looking for UFOs. You may get a funny look, but remind yourself that safety, yours and your family's, comes first.

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April is national lawn care month

As winter's chill and drab colors recede, among the first plants to reflect the hues of spring are lawn grasses. To celebrate the arrival of spring and the nation's focus on outdoor activities, the Professional Lawn Care Association of America (PLCAA) has designated April as National Lawn Care Month.

According to PLCAA, the North American lawn care season officially starts in April when more than 25 million acres of lawns are turning green just about everywhere. It's estimated that North Americans spend about one billion hours tending to lawns every year.

"A 1994 Gallup Survey reported that nine out of 10 U.S. households recognize the value of a well-maintained lawn and landscape," said Ann E. McClure, CAE, PLCAA's executive vice president. "National Lawn Care Month honors Americans' pride in beautifying their home and community landscapes."

There are many reasons why Americans value their lawns.

Gallup survey respondents said a well-maintained lawn and landscape:

- Helps beautify the neighborhood - 45%
- Provides a place of beauty and relaxation for the family, employees or visitors - 38.6%
- Reflects positively on its owner - 38.4%
- Increases real estate value - 35.3%
- Provides a comfortable place to entertain, work or visit - 32.5%
- Provides a safe, high-quality play area for children - 26.7%

The environmental benefits of a healthy lawn - helping to purify and cool the air and filtering water that drains into the ground - were recognized by only 12 percent of U.S. households.

"Our society is the most environmentally conscious in history, yet the public apparently isn't aware that they are doing their part to help the environment just by taking care of their lawns," said Lou Wierichs, Jr., a lawn care operator in Wisconsin and immediate past president of PLCAA.

In fact, healthy turf helps lock nitrogen and phosphorus in the root zone and prevents them from reaching the groundwater, explained Ms. McClure. A Cornell University study shows that a healthy, properly maintained lawn is an effective filter for protecting groundwater quality.

With the economic, aesthetic and environmental benefits a healthy lawn brings, it's no wonder we consider lawn care a priority, noted Ms. McClure.

"It's fitting that we celebrate our lawns in April when we begin to spend more time outdoors," Ms. McClure said. "PLCAA and its more than 1,000 turf care professional members support National Lawn Care Month, and encourage everyone to enjoy and nurture nature's green spaces."

The Professional Lawn Care Association of America is a central educational resource for lawn and landscape professionals in the United States, Canada and abroad. PLCAA develops educational programs, defines industry standards, and promotes the Symbol of Good

Practice and a national Certified Turfgrass Professional (CTP) training course produced in cooperation with the University of Georgia. The association was established in 1979 and is headquartered in Marietta, Ga.

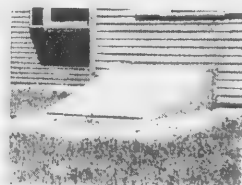
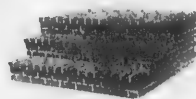
To learn more about the lawn care products you use to keep your lawn healthy and attractive, PLCAA recommends the brochure "What You Should Know About Lawn Care Products and Services." For a free copy of the brochure, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: PLCAA, 1000 Johnson Ferry Road, NE, Suite C-135, Marietta, Ga. 30068.

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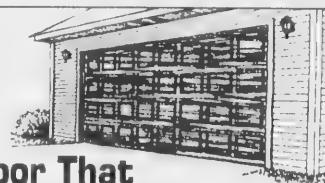
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20,000 leaves under the 'see'

By Ellen Henke

John Deere lawn and garden expert

With apologies to Jules Vern, there's a lot going on under the leaves that you see at the top of your compost pile. Like Captain Nemo surveying the vastness of the ocean, the first challenge is to find a place for your compost pile.

Once you've decided where to put it, the next step is actually constructing the compost pile. You can build an inexpensive composter by simply placing four stakes into the ground and covering three sides with chicken

wire, leaving one side open for easy access, or you can purchase a prefabricated unit.

But remember, your compost pile should be at least three feet in diameter and four feet high in order to build a hot internal temperature that gets it "cooking."

So, what's under what you see? Your compost pile should be composed of organic material to decompose, including 20,000 leaves (more or less), grass clippings, straw and other disease-free vegetable matter. If you have treated your lawn with a herbicide, wait at least four mowings

before composting the treated grass clippings.

For best results, build your compost pile in layers, sprinkling fertilizer on each five- to 10-inch layer. Your fertilizer should have a formula of 10-10-10, that's 10 parts nitrogen, 10 parts phosphorus and 10 parts potassium.

Add a dusting of lime to control odor and cover each layer with soil. Leave a depression in the top of the pile to catch rain - keep your compost moist to keep it cooking. During a dry spell, water the compost pile.

Turn your compost pile regularly so that the drier outside portion is folded inside where the internal heat and microbial action can break it down.

By including the right ingredients and tending your compost correctly, you'll create enough gardener's "gold", aka compost, to keep your plants green and growing.

America's plant doctor and John Deere lawn and garden expert, Ellen Henke is a botanist, garden writer and nationally recognized authority on "Earth Friendly" gardening.

Lawns go crazy in the spring

By Ellen Henke

It's true - lawns do go crazy in the spring. After their long winter dormant period, the grass seems to burst from the ground, growing so quickly you'd swear you could stand there and watch it happen. But you needn't go crazy trying to keep up.

Even though it may seem like a silly thing to do when your grass is

already growing almost faster than you can cut it, spring is one of the two best times of the year to fertilize. Feeding your lawn in late spring, about a month after it starts growing, puts back some of the nutrients used up in that first flush of growth.

When you fertilize your lawn, keep a few basic tips in mind.

Use a fertilizer with a 3 to 1 to 2 ratio - that's three parts nitrogen,

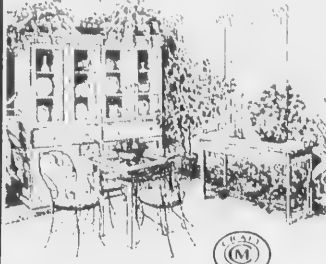
one part phosphorus and two parts potassium. Nitrogen promotes grass blade growth and helps keep your lawn a healthy green color. Phosphorus encourages healthy root development. Potassium helps fight disease.

Follow the application instructions on the fertilizer bag. Use a spreader and select your settings carefully. Be sure to spread your fertilizer evenly

so there are no excess deposits of mixture that will draw moisture out of grass plants. This is called "burning" and can cause your grass to turn yellow or brown. A good method of spreading fertilizer is to set the machine to one-half the desired rate, then crisscross the lawn like a checkerboard, spreading half in one direction, half in the other direction.

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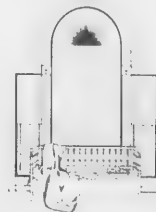
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Damage to landscaping by animals can be costly

Americans spend more than \$22 million annually on gardening items. That's money well spent, according to the National Gardening Association, which says a carefully crafted landscape can add an average of 15 percent to the value of a home. But there are threats to this investment – and they're as cute as your neighbors' dogs and cats.

The damage to landscaping by animals can be costly. It's important to combat the problem in the early stages. Homeowners often fail to assess the damage until a nibble or unearthed plant leads to total defoliation.

Use of repellents is just one way to make your yard and garden less appealing to animals, say lawn and garden experts at Sudbury Consumer Products Inc., makers of Repel odor- and taste-based animal repellents.

They offer the following tips to keep your landscape

vandal-free:

- Select an odor-based repellent that causes temporary nasal discomfort in animals. That drives them from the treated area. Some odor-based "repellents" are odor maskers, which only disguise previous odor marking left by dogs and cats and do not deter foraging animals.

Repel does not harm animals. It can be applied as a perimeter treatment around the area you want to protect. In this fashion, it can be used to train your own pet to stay out of certain areas of the yard.

- Taste-based repellents can be good companions to odor-based repellents because they leave bitter residue that most animals dislike. Look for a repellent that contains Bitrex.
- Stray dogs usually damage lawns and street-facing flower beds during the day, while cats are notorious for nighttime strolls through flower and shrub beds. Wild animals prefer to forage at night and are attracted to tender garden vegetables

and ornamental plants. This sort of damage is easy to spot since deer and rabbit browsing leaves jagged and torn surfaces on twigs and stems.

- Most homeowners opt against fencing, citing expense and aesthetics. Animal activists caution that some types of fencing, such as barbed wire, can be deadly to deer. Fencing meant to keep out wild animals should be at least 6 1/2-foot tall and buried one foot underground to thwart deer and smaller, burrowing animals.

- Scare tactics can be a second line of defense. Scarecrows can simulate people if moved weekly to different positions and covered with worn – not washed – clothing. Making scarecrows can be a fun project for the whole family.

- Some gardeners and serious yard enthusiasts buy expensive ultrasonic or electronic devices that use high-frequency sounds to ward off animals. Experts advise you to save your money. Anecdotal testimonials aside, there is no hard evidence that these devices alter animal behavior.

- Homemade repellents such as soap shavings, human hair, ground

cayenne pepper, moth balls and blood meal have been touted by home gardeners for generations.

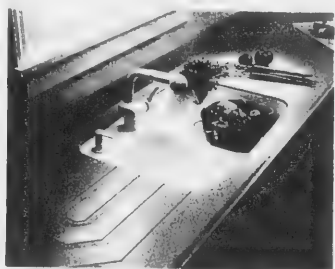
Unfortunately, the few controlled studies that have been done failed to demonstrate the effectiveness of any of these homespun solutions. While some are harmless, others, like mothballs, have potentially lethal consequences when ingested by inquisitive toddlers or pets.

For more advice on beautifying your landscape, write to Sudbury Consumer Products Inc., P.O. Box 34820, Phoenix, AZ 85067-4802.



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Tips for gardening with allergies

There are ways to minimize discomfort if you have a green thumb and a red nose from allergies:

- Showier plants pollinated by insects are better choices because these flowers' pollen grains are larger and do not bother most people. Less "attractive" plants rely on the wind for pollination and thus have smaller pollen grains that can cause allergies through inhalation.

- In most areas of the country, the worst pollen-allergy causers are: Trees – including oak, olive, western red cedar, elms, birch, ash, hickory, pecan, poplar, sycamore, maple, cypress and walnut in the early spring, and then pollinating grasses such as timothy, Bermuda, orchard, sweet vernal and red top. Weeds – such as ragweed, sagebrush, pigweed, tumbleweed, nettle, dock, lambsquarters and cockleweed become a problem in the late spring and summer.

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day. Also, remember that the allergic effect is increased with the concentration of the plants – the more there are, the more likely they are to cause a reaction. Go for variety in your plantings.

- Try these "sneezeless" plants recommended by the American Lung Association of California. Check with your local Agricultural Extension Service Office to confirm which thrive in your area:

Trees: pine, pear, dogwood, plum, red bud, ginkgo, magnolia

Shrubs: Hibiscus, Yucca, Pyracantha, Viburnum, boxwood

Lawns: Dichondra, Irish moss and bunch grasses

Flowers: poppy, peony, azalea, pansy, Bulbs – tulip, iris, Ranunculus, daffodil

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- Some gardeners with allergies use black plastic mulch instead of straw to keep down pollinating weeds, dust and mold growth. (This also has the added benefit of warming the soil and helping crops such as tomatoes and melons mature faster.)

- Have someone else mow the lawn and hoe the weeds along the edges of the garden regularly.

- Choose the time you garden carefully. Evenings are best, as plants have stopped pollinating. Right after a thunderstorm is a good time to garden for those with pollen allergies – the rain washes the pollen out of the air – but a bad time if you have mold allergies. Take an antihistamine 30 minutes before gardening.

- Few people find they need a particle mask (available at the pharmacy) for gardening. Watering the soil regularly and thoroughly with a sprinkler will keep dust and mold from rising.

- Wear gardening gloves and don't wipe your eyes while working outside.

Lawns go crazy in the spring

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Spring is also a good time to check out your mower and get it ready for the busy season. Be sure all nuts and bolts are tight and all safety equipment is in good working order. Consult your operator's manual for other maintenance and safety tips.

By fertilizing your lawn and ensuring that your equipment is in tip-top shape, you lay a foundation for a beautiful and enjoyable lawn all year long. And even if your lawn's growing like crazy, you'll know you've taken the sane approach to caring for your lawn.

After their long winter dormant period, the grass seems to burst from the ground, growing so quickly you'd swear you could stand there and watch it happen.

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Battling Japanese beetles

They make "breakfast" of your begonias, and "lunch" of your lawn. In fact, Japanese beetles will attack just about anything you try to grow.

The larval stage of these pests are cream-colored, C-shaped white grubs that spend their lives underground. During spring they feed on turfgrass roots for several weeks before pupating into Japanese beetles that emerge and attack nearby plants. These adult beetles mate and deposit eggs in the soil. The eggs hatch into a new generation of hungry larvae which also feed on turf roots.

In addition to the direct damage grubs do to root systems, further damage often occurs when hungry birds and rodents tear up your turf to get to these 'delectable' morsels. To detect grubs, cut and pull back a small section of grass in the affected area and look for the cream-colored larvae.

The shiny, metallic-green beetles attack over 300 species of plants, feeding on leaves and blossoms. They are most active during mid-day, and prefer to feed in warm, sunny locations.

One way to fight back against beetle attacks is to vigorously shake small trees and shrubs early in the morning when the pests are sluggish. Place plastic sheets on the ground so fallen beetles can be captured and destroyed.

Another option is to apply an insecticide. Many insecticides are available in liquid and granular formulations.

Avoid using Japanese beetle traps, since these may simply lure more beetles into your lawn and garden.

It is also important to provide lawns with adequate water and fertilizer, since healthy grass is better able to withstand grub infestations.

Lawns help people

The next time you're out on the lawn, you may want to kiss the ground. That patch of green does a lot more than you may realize. In fact, a healthy lawn:

- Produces oxygen. A lawn measuring 50 feet by 50 feet creates enough oxygen to meet the breathing needs of a family of four.

- Reduces allergic reactions and cuts down on insect bites.

- Has a cooling effect. When street and sidewalk temperatures exceed 100° F, the surface of the lawn remains a cool 75° F.

- Increases your property value. A well-managed landscape can boost the selling price of a home by as much as 15 percent, realtors believe.

- Provides erosion control. A healthy root system and a thick,

absorbent blanket of grass reduce run-off.

- Offers a place for family recreation, and a refuge for fun and relaxation.

Here are some hints to help get that perfect lawn:

1. Mow at the proper height for the type of turfgrass you have.

2. Water properly. Experts recommend watering heavily once or twice a week which helps grass develop a strong deep root system to resist stress. Water in the morning so the grass can dry throughout the day. This helps prevent fungus infestations.

3. Keep insect damage under control. Inspect the lawn for pests often. Look out for brown patchy spots, or root systems so weak you can tug out the turfgrass easily.

4. Watch out for weeds.

Catch that thatch

By Ellen Henke

If there's one culprit that ought to be on a list of America's most wanted, it's thatch. An aggravation to homeowners everywhere, thatch is a build-up of dead roots that blocks the movement of air, water and nutrients to the root system and harbors

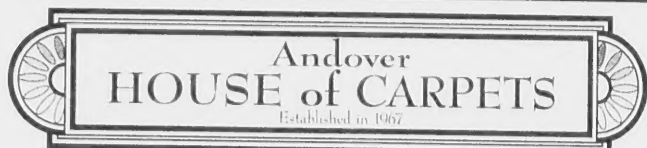
insects and disease.

So catch that culprit early. The thatch layer in your lawn should be checked periodically so that excess

thatch can be removed as needed.

To check your thatch, cut a small plug of turf out of the lawn and mea-

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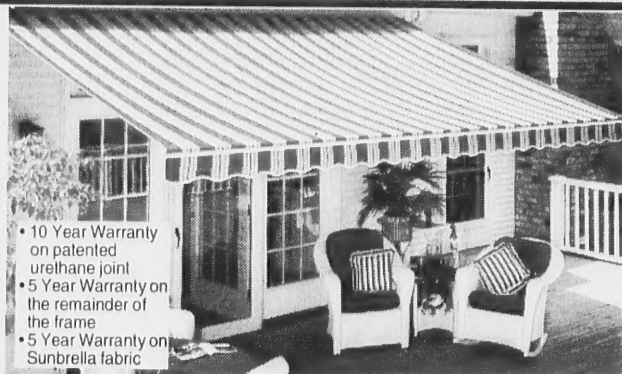
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Proper mowing yields instant results



owing the lawn isn't just another spring or summertime chore. Done properly, it can help the environment and prevent injury. As the nation observes National Lawn Care

Month in April and Earth Day on April 22, the Professional Lawn Care Association of America (PLCAA) offers a reminder that proper mowing can yield instant results for your home and community.

Mow by the one-third rule. Mow often enough to cut only one-third of the grass plant in any one mowing. This reduces shock to the lawn's root system. Mow too low too often and roots can die. The dead roots build up a thatch layer that can be harmful.

"Mow a lawn — old or new — by the one-third rule, because mowing actually encourages a lawn to grow horizontally, to knit together, to fill in and to develop a dense, healthy root system," said PLCAA board member Bob Tracinski, consumer information manager for John Deere.

According to PLCAA, a healthy lawn helps purify and cool the air and filters water that drains into the ground.

Recycle while you mow. Grasscycling, a term coined by PLCAA, is the process of recycling yard waste at home. It's simple. Leave the grass clippings on the lawn where they decompose and return nutrients to the soil. Clippings will decompose with no thatch buildup. Grass clippings are 85 percent water, so they decompose rapidly, and actually return 20 percent of their nitrogen to the soil to feed the lawn's root system.

By grasscycling, you also help solve the nation's landfill crisis. Recycling of grass clippings and other yard debris can cut the nation's solid waste volume by 20 percent.

"Because April is National Lawn Care Month, when people begin to think seriously about lawn care, it's a good time to focus on Grasscycling," advises Ann E. McClure, CAE, executive vice president of PLCAA. "If we all simply recycle grass clippings by leaving

them on our lawns, we can make a contribution to the environment in our own backyard."

Safety First. While proper mowing helps the environment, following safe mowing practices can prevent serious injury. Keep vehicles well-maintained and use common sense. According to the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute, follow these steps when mowing or operating other power tools:

1. Be sure you know how to operate the equipment. Read the Operator's Manual before using the equipment. Know where the controls are and what they do. Don't remove or disable guards or other safety devices. Check for any additional safety instructions.

2. Dress properly for the job. Wear substantial shoes, long pants and close-fitting clothes, no loose jewelry, unrestrained hair or anything that could get caught in a moving part.

3. Handle gas carefully. Store gas in an approved container, away from the house. Fill up before you start, while the engine is cold. Wipe up spills and don't smoke while

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gasoline is being used.

4. Clean up and clear out the area before you start. Pick up anything that could be thrown by the equipment such as trash, golf balls, toys and rocks. Then, clear the area of people and pets. Be sure children are out of the way and stay away until the job is done.

5. Operate the equipment carefully, following recommended safety procedures. Always turn off the engine and disconnect the spark plug wire, if accessible, before attempting to unclog or do any

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work on outdoor power equipment. When leaving equipment unattended, turn off the engine and remove the key.

6. Keep hands and feet away from moving parts.

"Teach children that mowers are serious cutting tools," Mr. Tracinski emphasized. "Be sure they're in the house and under supervision before mowing. And never take passengers."

Catch that thatch

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sure the thatch layer. The plug can then be returned to its place in the lawn. A 1/2-inch layer of thatch is beneficial - it acts as a shock absorber to relieve ground compaction and helps hold moisture in the soil. But too much thatch can act like a sheet of plastic, stopping the flow of air, water and nutrients from getting to the root system.

If excess thatch stifles your lawn's growth, you can stop the problem by renting a core aerator or a dethatcher with vertical blades that will slice through the soil and remove excess thatch.

If thatch isn't on your most wanted" list yet, you can prevent its bothersome build-up. Thatch is caused by improper mowing, watering or fertilizing. You can avoid thatch by mowing on the high side of the recommended cutting height for your grass and using a specially-designed mulching mower. Mow often enough to cut only the top one-third of grass blades at each mowing. If you remove more, some of the root system will die and these dead roots are the cause of a thatch problem.

Thatch is also caused by watering too often or too lightly. This trains the roots to stay near the surface. So, encourage roots to grow deeply by watering your lawn infrequently but deeply and only as needed.

And when fertilizing, use one with a high percentage of slow-release nitrogen. Quick-release nitrogen encourages a shallow root system, which in turn encourages thatch.

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